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Light-rail supporters organize

Public campaign to begin

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

A group promoting light rail in Madison County held its first organizational meeting Thursday. Madison County Citizens for Proposition M is set to begin a public awareness campaign in support of the November referendum to approve a quarter-cent sales tax to pay the local share of bringing light rail to Madison County.

In August the Madison County Board voted to place the referendum on the November ballot.

Ralph Korte of Korte Construction Co., and Tadas Kicielski, executive secretary/treasurer of the Southwestern Illinois Building and Construction Trade Council, were named co-chairmen of the referendum group.

The meeting was Thursday at the Collinsville Holiday Inn.

According to a June 1997 survey of community leaders and public officials — as part of the long range transportation plan by the county and Madison County Transit District — an overwhelming majority said extending Metrolink into the county and construction of a new bridge across the Mississippi River were the top priorities.

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Jim Grandone
campaign coordinator

Grandone of Grandone-Hauser, Inc., a public relations firm, said they were very pleased by the support for Metrolink in Madison County.

Grandone, who is volunteering his time as campaign coordinator, said little has been planned so far, but that will change in the near future.

"We're really in an organizational mode at this point," he said.

Raising funds will be the next major concern.

"We're looking for funds to pay for media advertising," he said.

Grandone said the group will try to raise approximately \$100,000.

Until the money is raised, "the strategy is to conduct a traditional campaign" using press releases and speakers, he said.

Bringing light rail to Madison County is a long-term project.

If the referendum is approved in November, the sales tax and investment income would produce an estimated \$278 million by 2015.

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City enacts ordinance to tax telecommunications

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

An ordinance establishing a 1 percent telecommunications tax was among several items approved by the Venice City Council Tuesday.

The council also approved an ordinance dealing with sexual harassment policy, and a resolution adopting an operating budget for the McKinley Bridge.

The telecommunications tax would take the place of any franchise fees for telecommunications firms, and is similar to ordinances expected to be

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enacted throughout the state.

It would be placed on all calls originating or ending within Venice.

City Attorney Casper Nighohossian said the ordinance was necessary because of a new state statute, the Illinois Telecommunications Municipal Infrastructure Maintenance Fee Act.

Nighohossian said he heard about the changes at the Illinois Municipal League convention, held recently in Chicago.

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Renovations served on the rocks



Staff photos by JOHN FRESE

Workers from the Harlan Co. of St. Louis shot-blast the bridge deck to remove debris. The bare frame in front is a full depth repair, which requires complete replacement of all the concrete and steel supports in that section.

Bridge repairs begin; work to take one year

By Scott Kelly
Staff writer

The lure of rare and fascinating treasures on old Route 66 drew Mary Pierce and Bob and Elaine Hayes from Seattle to the Chain of Rocks Bridge one recent Friday.

With its distinctive bend in the middle, mile-long length and breathtaking view, the bridge is a natural attraction. Recently, 28 seniors on motorcycles came to the bridge while on a Route 66 tour from Santa Monica, Calif. Other visitors have come from as far away as Germany, Denmark and Japan.

They won't have too long to wait.

Lou Mavros, project director for Trailnet Inc.'s refurbishing of the 70-year-old bridge, says with confidence the bridge will be open by

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Repair costs manageable; people can help maintain

By Scott Kelly
Staff writer

Repairing a structure as large as the Chain of Rocks Bridge is expensive, but by means impossible. Costs for the first phase of repairs will be about \$1.25 million.

Funding is coming from a variety of sources. Illinois and Missouri have awarded grants totaling \$290,000; Edward Jones and waste management companies pledged \$100,000 each; the Trust for Public Land has reserved \$90,000 and the St. Louis Community Foundation recently announced \$10,000 for project management.

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Lou Mavros
project director

Mayor John Hamm "and the whole (Madison) aldermanic council have been totally supportive."

leaves Trailnet "in good shape," he said, adding it covers all the phase one expenses.

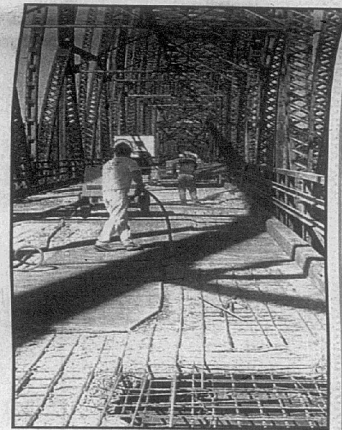
A lot of funds for maintaining the bridge will undoubtedly come from continued donations, including special promotions.

Most of the bridge's 200 drain covers are missing. New ones are being made with cast brass, 4-by-6-inch plates imbedded in the covers. For donating \$1,000, individuals and groups can have their names inscribed on the plates.

For donating \$200, people can have a 10-foot section of the railing with their name on it.

Private fund-raising continues. Major donors (more than \$10,000) have received a personal "key" to

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Curt Coleman of Walters Metal Fabrication works on the Illinois end of the Old Chain of Rocks Bridge.

Nilo Farms provides good time for all

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

The shooter stepped up to the line, his gun ready. At the command "pull," the clay pigeon streaked out of the house, flew through the air, straight into the bushes and right out of sight.

The shooter, a tyke about 3 years old, was reminded that he was supposed to pull the trigger, so he did.

Just another outdoorsman at the trap field for Nilo Farms' 26th annual open house Saturday, a part of National Hunting and Fishing Day.

Given a second chance, the boy was able to shoot while the

bird was in the air. On his third try, he shattered the clay pigeon.

He probably didn't even notice that one of the volunteers was holding the butt of his shotgun, steadying the barrel and aiming for him.

Nilo Farms, located in Brighton, is the Olin Corp./Winchester private shooting preserve and kennel.

About 3,000 people came out for shooting, fishing, archery and to see related exhibits.

The event is one of the oldest celebrations of National Hunting and Fishing Day, held on the fourth Saturday in September.

Bob Maples, an Olin gunsmith and volunteer at the

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Bob Maples
Olin gunsmith

trap fields — actually a shortened field to make it easier for the children — said getting a chance to shoot is one of the more popular attractions.

For most of the day there was a long line of people waiting to shoot — from adults to children too small to hold a gun on their own.

"The important thing is to make sure they have a good time; most of the kids really enjoy it," he said. "For many

of them it's the first time they've been around guns. I think it's important for them to find out for themselves if they enjoy it."

"Some of them are so small we try to use our hand to absorb the recoil and for some of them we actually try to aim the gun," Maples said. "They get a big kick out of it if they break something."

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John Fuller, Meteorologist, KSLK-TV, Channel 5

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Maples was part of a three-man team working the trap field.

"I started shooting competitively about 30 to 35 years ago," he said. "It just evolved from this. We help out here during the Hunting and Fishing Days."

"We've done this, I don't know how many years now—but you'll see the same kids year after year; they keep coming back out," he said. "They'll do it all day; they just keep getting back in line. It's great."

The other big attractions were the retriever dog demonstrations and trick shooting exhibition.

Each was held twice per

day. "Everyone likes the dogs, and there will be a puppy that performs today," Nilo-Farms assistant Linda Deewall said before the exhibits.

People also got a chance to pick up literature and buy chances on shotguns and other outdoor equipment offered by various outdoor groups, ranging from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources to the Second Amendment Volunteers of Madison County.

Sabrina Kuethe of Edwardsville, a member of that group, was kept busy at the organization's table.

"We're an informative group," she said. "We try to keep people informed about what's currently going on as

far as our gun rights."

However, that day their efforts were geared toward gun safety.

"Our table today is set up for Eddie Eagle," she said. Eddie Eagle is the National Rifle Association's children's gun safety program. It teaches that if children find a gun, they are to not touch it, they should leave the area and tell a responsible adult.

They were also giving away Eddie Eagle dolls, stickers and coloring sheets.

She said teaching gun safety is very important.

At another booth, children and adults got a chance to try reloading and got a souvenir shotshell—nonfiring—or a rifle or pistol cartridge key chain.

Drew Anderson and Rich Heffernan, both 15-year-olds from Edwardsville, were getting their key chains and shotshells.

Anderson said it was his first time at the event.

"I just wanted to come out and try shooting," he said. "I liked it. It was just something fun and interesting to do."

Six Mile to remember East St. Louis

Old Six Mile Historical Society will have a meeting on Oct. 7, at United Presbyterian Church, 1700 Pontoon Road (park on the east side of the church).

Topic for discussion will be "Old East St. Louis Remem-

bered" history, shopping, businesses, mansions, etc. Old pictures will be displayed by author, Bill Nunes. Refreshments will be served. Free to public. For more information, call 931-1352.

SCHOOL MENUS

Granite City Breakfast

MONDAY, Oct. 6 — French toast w/ syrup, cinnamon applesauce, milk.
TUESDAY, Oct. 7 — Pop tarts, banana, milk.

WEDNESDAY, Oct. 8 — Sausage patty, biscuit and jelly, cherries, milk.
THURSDAY, Oct. 9 — Cereal, toast and jelly, raisins, milk.
FRIDAY, Oct. 10 — Breakfast pizza, strawberries, milk.

Lunch

MONDAY, Oct. 6 — Pizza, w/ corn, pineapple chunks, milk.
TUESDAY, Oct. 7 — Grilled chicken patty on w/ bun w/lettuce and tomato, sliced carrots, time jello waffles, milk.
WEDNESDAY, Oct. 8 — Sloppy joe on bun w/ pickles, mixed vegetables, sliced peaches, milk.
THURSDAY, Oct. 9 — Beef and bean taco w/lettuce and cheese, spanish rice, green beans, sliced bread (2), apple wedges, milk.
FRIDAY, Oct. 10 — Baked fish on bun, macaroni and cheese, salad, mixed fruit, milk.

Madison Breakfast

MONDAY, Oct. 6 — Cereal/toast, milk.
TUESDAY, Oct. 7 — Sausage, pancakes, milk.
WEDNESDAY, Oct. 8 — Cereal/toast, milk.
THURSDAY, Oct. 9 — French toast, milk.
FRIDAY, Oct. 10 — Pop-tarts, milk.

Lunch

MONDAY, Oct. 6 — Chicken nuggets, french toast, corn, peas, milk.
TUESDAY, Oct. 7 — Toasted ravioli w/ sauce, peas, peaches, bread, milk.
WEDNESDAY, Oct. 8 — Hamburger on a bun, dill pickles, french fries, graham, milk.
THURSDAY, Oct. 9 — Spaghetti and meat sauce, garlic bread, tossed salad, fruit cocktail, milk.
FRIDAY, Oct. 10 — Fish sticks, macaroni and cheese, peas, pineapple chunks, bread, milk.

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MONDAY, Oct. 6 — French toast sticks, milk.

TUESDAY, Oct. 7 — Grits, ham, biscuit, juice, milk.
WEDNESDAY, Oct. 8 — Breakfast snack, cup of fruit, milk.
THURSDAY, Oct. 9 — Oatmeal w/ apples, juice, milk.
FRIDAY, Oct. 10 — Cheerio, ham roll, milk.

Lunch

MONDAY, Oct. 6 — Nacho, w/cheese and salsa, tossed salad, cookies, milk.
TUESDAY, Oct. 7 — Hamburger party w/ gravy, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, fruit, milk.
WEDNESDAY, Oct. 8 — Hot dog on bun, french fries, cole slaw, icecream, milk.
THURSDAY, Oct. 9 — Hamburger supreme, rice, green beans, slice bread, cinnamon apples, milk.
FRIDAY, Oct. 10 — Ground turkey, dressing and gravy, corn, cranberry sauce, cheese cake, milk.

St. Elizabeth

MONDAY, Oct. 6 — Hamburger on bun, potato wedges, carrot sticks, mixed fruit, milk.
TUESDAY, Oct. 7 — Sub sandwich, potato salad, apple slices, milk.
WEDNESDAY, Oct. 8 — Taco salad (meat, lettuce, cheese, onion, jalapenos), mixed vegetables, peaches, milk.
THURSDAY, Oct. 9 — Baked chicken, baby potatoes, green beans, jello, milk.
FRIDAY, Oct. 10 — Fish nuggets, macaroni and cheese, peas, applesauce, milk.

Holy Family

MONDAY, Oct. 6 — Sloppy joe, 1/2 potatoes, sliced cheese, pickles, corn, cherry crisp, milk.
TUESDAY, Oct. 7 — Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, bread, jello waffles, milk.
WEDNESDAY, Oct. 8 — Ham rolls, buttered noodles, carrots and celery sticks, bread, cherry cobbler, milk.
THURSDAY, Oct. 9 — Spaghetti with meat sauce, cheese chunks, salad, bread, applesauce, milk.
FRIDAY, Oct. 10 — Toasted cheese sandwich, tomato soup, pickles, carrots, celery, raisins, milk.

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OBITUARIES

John Owens

JOHN F. OWENS, 39, of Granite City died at 11:48 a.m. Sept. 24, 1997 at his home, following a two-year illness. He was born Jan. 25, 1958 in East St. Louis.

Mr. Owens retired from Granite City Steel as a hot carrier in April 1997. He was a member of American Vets, member of F Troop, and the local 179 of Edwardsville.

Survivors include his wife, Michaeline (Eck) Owens; one stepson, Steven J. Eck of St. Louis; one brother, James R. Owens of Glen Carbon; three sisters, Blanche MacDonald of St. Louis, Marilyn Turner of Canyon Lake, Texas, and Helen Segar of Edwardsville; and his mother, Marie (Jereb) Owens.

He was preceded in death by his father, James R. Owens.

Visitation was Friday, Sept. 26, 1997 at Werner Chapel. Services were Saturday, Sept. 27, at the funeral home with the Rev. Father



Tom Leibler officiating. Burial was in Glen Cemetery in Glen Carbon. Memorials are suggested to Disabled American Veterans.

Donald A. Dix

DONALD A. "SPIDER" DIX, 55, of Waterloo, died on Thursday, Oct. 2, 1997, in Mascoutah. He was born on Jan. 11, 1942, in Belleville.

Mr. Dix was a steel worker at National Steel Co. in Granite City for 36 years. He was a member of Belleville Enduro Team; Lifetime Hog Club member; and a member of American Motorcycle Association.

Survivors include a brother, William Dix of Marissa; a niece, Rochelle Lomas of Oxnard, Calif.; a nephew, William Dix of Holmes Beach, Fla.; a dear friend, Lyla Lich of Waterloo; as well as great-nieces and nephews, and aunts and uncles.

He was preceded in death by his father, Arthur L. Dix.

Visitation will be at 4 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 5, at George Renner and Sons Funeral Home in Belleville. Services will be at 11 a.m. on Monday, Oct. 6, 1997 at the funeral home with the Rev. Arthur Tinge officiating. Burial will be in Valhalla Gardens of Memory in Belleville.

Memorials are suggested to Hoytson Children's Home, 350 N. Main, Hoytson, IL 62803.

Alma Childers

ALMA J. CHILDERS, 66, of Granite City died at 5:18 p.m. on Oct. 2, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. She was born on Sept. 18, 1931, in Sesser.

Mrs. Childers retired, in September of 1966, from St. Elizabeth Medical Center where she had been a housekeeper for 15 years. She was a member of the Protestant faith and a member of Pontoon Beach Senior Citizens Club.

Survivors include three daughters, Leslie Duff of Collinsville, Julia Weidner of Granite City, and Anne Young of St. Louis; one sister, Lou Steve Adams of Lincoln, Neb.; and five grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Andrew and Nellie (Fisher) Merkel; one sister, Norma Lee Shinn; and one brother, Paul E. Merkel.

Visitation will be from 4 to 6 p.m. today, Sunday, Oct. 5, 1997, at Werner Chapel. Services will be at 10 a.m. on Monday, Oct. 6, at the funeral home with the Rev. Alan Redfern officiating. Burial will be in

Sunset Hills Cemetery.

Memorials are suggested to the American Cancer Society.

Christopher Tucker

CHRISTOPHER LYNN TUCKER, 26, of Granite City died at 9:21 p.m. on Oct. 2, 1997, in Edwardsville. He was born Nov. 24, 1970, in Granite City.

Mr. Tucker was a landscaper at Home Nursery in Edwardsville. He was a member of the Protestant faith.

Survivors include his father, William Joseph Tucker of Granite City; his mother, Frieda (Wallace) Tucker of Granite City; one son, Douglas of Granite City; four daughters, Deanna, Melissa, Christine, and Jessica, all of Granite City; two brothers, Steve Adams of Lincoln, Neb., and Gary Adams of Granite City; and one sister, Charlene Tucker of Sarasota, Fla.

Kendrick Fordson

KENDRICK LAMONT FORDSON, 26, of East St. Louis died Tuesday, Sept. 30, 1997, at St. Mary's Hospital in Clayton, Mo.

Survivors include his mother, Mrs. Johnnie Grump of East St. Louis; his father, Oscar Ellis of Memphis, Tenn.; one sister, Katisha Fordson of Madison; one brother, Devon Rodgers of East St. Louis; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Memorial services were from 12 noon to 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4, 1997, at the Officer Funeral Home Metro East Chapel. Family hours were from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, with the Rev. T. E. Hendricks officiating.

Officer Funeral Home Metro East Chapel handled the arrangements.

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"The main body of it (the ordinance) is what every city in the state is going to pass," he said.

A copy of the ordinance will be forwarded to the Illinois Municipal League, which will do a mass notification of communications firms.

The city does not collect any franchise fee from telecommunications companies at this time, but Nighohossian said

the ordinance is necessary to protect the city's rights.

Under the new laws, telecommunications firms would have the right to easements within the city without paying a franchise fee.

The ordinance dealing with sexual harassment — defining terms, complaint process and penalties — was approved at the request of the city's insurance carriers.

Nighohossian said a sexual

harassment policy and discipline policy needed to be in place. The city approved an ordinance on discipline policy in 1991.

The Council also approved a resolution adopting an operating budget for the McKinley Bridge.

For the fiscal year from Oct. 1, 1997 to Sept. 30, 1998, the bridge operating budget is approximately \$2.2 million.

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That amount would cover planning, engineering, construction and operation, based on the availability of federal matching funds for 50 percent of the design and construction cost.

The total cost for the project would be an estimated \$35 million.

While passage of the referendum is not a guarantee of federal funds, county and transit district officials have said

there is no possibility of extending MetroLink to Madison County without it.

If the referendum is approved, a major study would be conducted over a two-year period to determine the overall feasibility and alignment options.

Construction would take about five years, starting sometime in 2009.

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Camp Happy Day in fold for Old Newsboys Day

By Glen Sparks
Staff writer

It's only appropriate, Mitch Hanneken states, that 20 volunteers from Camp Happy Day would be folding Old Newsboys Day aprons on a sunny Thursday morning.

"Old Newsboy Day has done so much for us," says Hanneken, executive director emeritus of Camp Happy Day. "I think we need to give something in return."

It takes 20 volunteers about 90 minutes to fold 2,000 Old Newsboys Days aprons at the St. Louis Hills Learning Center, 4655 Hampton Ave. in south St. Louis.

Most of these women are parents of current or former Camp Happy Day children or are camp volunteers.

"These are people who will do anything

I ask if it's for Camp Happy Day," Hanneken says.

Hanneken also farms out about 2,000 aprons apiece to Holy Infant Apartments, 7663 Watson Road, and St. Joseph Apartments retirement center, 7677 Watson Road, in Shrewsbury.

"They've been a huge help to us," Hanneken says.

Rosemary Sundling, manager-director of both Holy Infant and St. Joseph apartments, said Hanneken asked the centers about 10 years ago for their help folding aprons.

"They needed help, and the residents here look forward to it every year," Sundling says.

Several residents volunteer, Sundling says, often for about 20 minutes at a time.

"The word gets around about it," Sund-

ing says. "It's a part of the camaraderie. It's one more chance to get together."

On Thursday, Nov. 5, about 7,000 volunteers from throughout the St. Louis metropolitan area will put on these aprons and sell copies of the "Suburban Journals Old Newsboys Day" edition. Volunteers for Camp Happy Day will sell newspapers on 15 corners this year.

All the money collected on Old Newsboys Day goes to help more than 250 area children's charities such as Camp Happy Day.

Since 1972, Camp Happy Day has received \$32,000 from Old Newsboys Day, Hanneken says. In that same time, it has collected more than \$28,000 on Old Newsboys Day.

Through the donations, Camp Happy Day has purchased tents and other equipment and supplies.

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Steve Geroff (back row, right) and his crewmates.

Clean up earns Scout Eagle badge

Steve Geroff, son of Robert and Rosemary Geroff recently completed his Eagle Scout project.

To complete the project, Geroff showed good leadership. He planned, developed, and organized a project to help his community.

Steve chose to clean up the batting cages at the Melvin Price Support Center. Along with assistant scoutmaster Mary Wiedemer, he presented his ideas to Price Center officials. He then had to receive approval from his scoutmaster, Milan Babic. He then presented the project details to Troop 13 Committee for approval. For final approval Steve had to present his project of developing details before the Cahokia Mounds District, Trail West Council.

Geroff then met with Rich Beck and Debra Grady at the Melvin Price Support Center to order the tools and supplies necessary to complete the project. Steve recruited his parents and five fellow boy scouts to help him complete the project.

Under Geroff's leadership, the crew began the clean up on May 24, and finished on May 25. They dug up small trees, weeds, and their roots that were in the fence of the cages. The boys removed vines that had climbed up the fence and into the netting across the top of the cages.

On June 7, Steve invited the boy scouts back to get the pitching machines and have some fun with batting practice under the direction of Rich Beck from the Melvin Price Support Center.

His project took many hours of planning and organizing. Geroff and his crew worked a total of 130 hours to complete the project.

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Sarah Beck celebrated her 2nd birthday Sept. 29.

Connie Chronister celebrated her birthday Sept. 30.

Tom and Dot Schiller celebrated their 36th anniversary Sept. 30.

Jennie Dyteski celebrated her birthday Sept. 30.

Andrew William Parker celebrated his birthday Sept. 30.

Chester and Robyn Hodge celebrated their 8th anniversary Sept. 30.

Aimee Soboleski celebrated her 19th birthday Oct. 1.

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True Fellowship will be hosting its "Annual Fall Revival" at 7 p.m. nightly, Oct. 5-10, at the True Fellowship M.B. church, 1641 3rd Street, in Madison.

The Rev. Dr. E. Stanley Howlett, pastor of the True Light Missionary Baptist Church of St. Louis, will be guest speaker.

Everyone is invited to come

and share in this praise experience. For additional information, you may contact the church at 877-TRUE. The Rev. L.D. Tate is pastor.

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Victory Center
hosts revival

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OCTOBER

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TRICK or TREAT??

Tip 3

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2. TO SEE WHERE YOU'RE GOING, CARRY A
3. YOUNGER CHILDREN SHOULD HAVE AN ACCOMPANY THEM.
4. STAY IN YOUR OWN TO "TRICK OR TREAT".
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"YOU Can Make CHANGE"

We're back this month to remind you that YOU can help ST. LOUIS 11 KIDS reach the goal of collecting \$25,000 in CHANGE for both area children's hospitals. So have an adult check the bottom of every purse, check under those cushions and maybe even put a little of your allowance aside and let's gather those quarters, dimes, nickels and pennies. Talk to your teacher at school and make this a class or school project. AND... If your group collects at least \$511 in change, the Kids Club Crew, Nikki, George and Gabe will pick up the change and bestow many thanks upon you! ALL money collected will go to St. Louis Children's and Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospitals. Don't forget...it's time for a "CHANGE"...it's kids helping kids! For any information or suggestions, have an adult call 967-7211.

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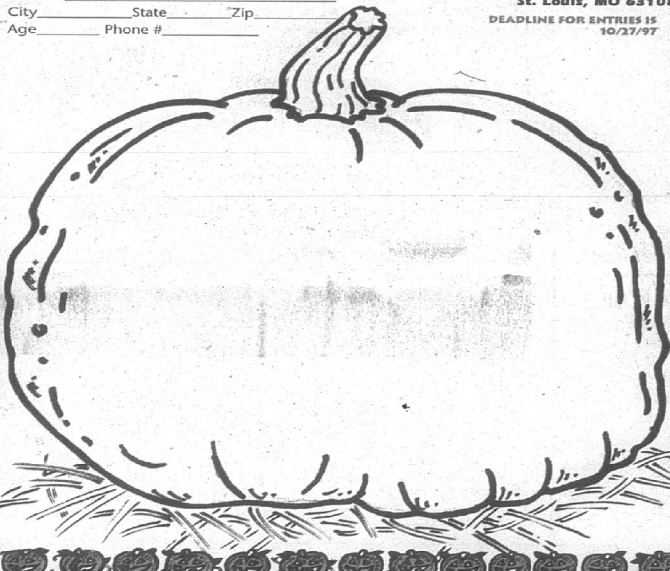
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PROGRAM SCHEDULE

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6:30am X-Men	2:00pm Captain Planet (R)	9:30am The New Adventures of Voltron	9:30am The New Adventures of Voltron
7:00am Tiny Toon Adventures	2:30pm Mummies	10:00am The New Adventures of Voltron	10:00am The New Adventures of Voltron
7:30am Captain Planet (R)	3:00pm Bugs in the City Show	10:30am The New Adventures of Voltron	10:30am The New Adventures of Voltron
8:00am Mummies	3:30pm Animaniacs	11:00am The New Adventures of Voltron	11:00am The New Adventures of Voltron
8:30am Extreme Ghostbusters	4:00pm Pinky and the Brain	11:30am The New Adventures of Voltron	11:30am The New Adventures of Voltron
	4:30pm New Adventures of Batman and Superman	12:00pm The New Adventures of Voltron	12:00pm The New Adventures of Voltron
	5:00pm Baywatch World	12:30pm The New Adventures of Voltron	12:30pm The New Adventures of Voltron
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Maroons' first win comes at Warriors' expense

By Patrick C. Heston
Staff writer

The Belleville West Maroons won their first game of the year Friday night at the expense of the visiting Granite City Warriors, 14-10.

"On a scale of 1-10, this win ranks as a 15," said elated West coach Larry Betz. "We needed this win. Our program needed this win. Our kids needed this win. They're a bunch of hard working kids, and they didn't want to go out there and lose."

With Horne healthy and returning to the backfield, Betz turned to sec-

ond string sophomore quarterback Brandon Holton to run the offense. It was his first varsity start.

He mostly handed the ball to the Maroons' 1-2 punch of Herman Horne (21 carries, 61 yards) and Casey Dial (13-106). Nearly half of Dial's runs were for first downs, as the Warriors defense had trouble stopping the slashing runner.

West scored first with 1:53 left in the opening quarter as Horne scampered into the end zone on a 1-yard run. Chris Norbet nailed the extra point for a 7-0 Maroons lead.

The Warriors (2-4, 1-2 in the Southwestern Conference) responded with

PREP FOOTBALL

BELLEVILLE WEST 14,
GRANITE CITY 10

an eight-play, three-minute drive, capped by an 8-yard touchdown run off left tackle by Juanel Goodwin. Rocky Smith's PAT knotted the score.

It remained 7-7 at the half.

On West's second possession of the third quarter, Dial and Horne teamed up to work the ball down to the Warriors 2-yard line. Holton took it from there, scoring on a quarterback draw up the middle. The Maroons took the

lead 14-7 with 3:13 left in the frame. Granite City, running behind Goodwin (17 carries, 83 yards) and Brooks Narvaez (13-75), pieced together an impressive 10-play drive over the next 4:04, climaxing with a 41-yard field goal by Smith, pulling the Warriors within 14-10.

A West punt pinned GCHS on their own 5-yard line with 8:07 to play, but the Warriors drove 74 yards in 14 plays, and were facing a fourth-and-6 with only 1:12 to play when the roof caved in.

Sophomore quarterback Zack May took the snap, pitched it to Narvaez who ran right and handed the ball to

Smith, who was streaking to the left from the far wing. Smith took two steps and fumbled the ball, which was recovered by West's John Carpenter. From there, the Maroons ran out the clock.

"It came down to mistakes and to who had the ball last," said Granite City coach Nick Pettillo. "I thought our kids played well, but we made some key mistakes. We've got a bunch of over-achievers with a lot of character and a lot of guts. They show up everyday and give us everything they've got. They did it again tonight. That's why the loss hurts so bad."



Art
Voellinger

Despite loss, Triad still on path to A title

Do not be deceived by Triad's 5-0 loss to St. Louis Vianney in the Bob Guelker Memorial/CVO Cup boys soccer tournament.

This corner noted, as soon as former Vianney coach Mike Villa was named head coach at Triad, the Knights would contend for the Class A state championship this fall when the Illinois High School Association moves to two classifications for soccer. (Reminder: The finals will be hosted by SIU Edwardsville).

By early October, the Knights had a 7-2-1 overall record, averaged a fraction more than four goals per game and boasted a non-senior threesome that should have Villa most optimistic.

After 10 games, including a forfeit victory against Mascoutah, juniors Todd Bruns and Kyle Rainwater and sophomore Joey Hellen were teaming in such fashion Triad soccer boosters and "I told you so" might be synonymous.

Bruns led the team in scoring with 16 goals and 4 assists, followed by Hellen at 9 goals and 8 assists and Rainwater with 7 goals and 5 assists.

Experience, no doubt, was a factor against Vianney. But with Villa at the helm, Triad can expect success even if it does not reach the heights of the seven Missouri State High School Activities Association titles and 463-107-66 record Villa compiled in 23 seasons at the St. Louis school.

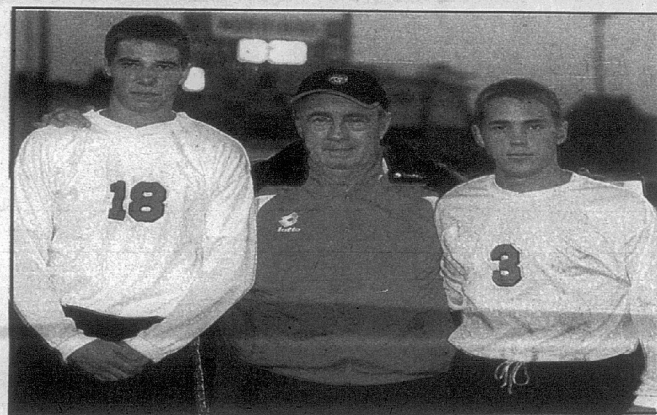
Overtime

According to recent figures from the National Federation of High School Associations, soccer continues to show the largest participation increase for boys and girls, ranking fifth in numbers for both.

Figures from 1995-96 school year to 1996-1997 show an increase of 17,349 participants in girls soccer and 12,859 for boys. Last fall, a total of 226,636 girls and 296,387 boys played prep soccer. In the ranking of schools sponsoring the sport, soccer was seventh (6,971) for the girls and ninth (8,432) for the boys.

In terms of participants, (See VOELLINGER, Page 4B)

BOYS SOCCER: PEPSI-COLA/GRANITE CITY TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS



(Photo by JOHN FRESSE)

Granite City coach Gene Baker (middle) and captains Josh Hickam (left) and Jonas Janek (right) are ready to host 15 other teams this week in the 18th annual Pepsi-Cola Lotto/Granite City Tournament of Champions.

DEFENDING THE GAUNTLET

Warriors prepare to host 15 foes in premier event

By Patrick C. Heston
Staff writer

The pools and pairings are set for the Pepsi-Cola/Granite City High School Tournament of Champions, which will be played Monday through Saturday.

Sixteen teams are divided into four pools of four teams each with pool winners advancing to the tournament semifinals on Saturday at 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. The championship game is Saturday at 2 p.m.

The field includes a handful of the top teams on both sides of the river, including Chaminade, Rosary, DeSmet, Granite City and Hazelwood Central.

Pools C and D appear to be the strongest of the four, though all are well balanced. The winners of those two pools will go head-to-head in the early semifinal game. The winner of that semifinal skirmish should be the heavy favorite in the championship match to follow.

Chaminade, Rosary, DeSmet and Granite City are the cream of the crop, if the rankings are believed, but watch out. The Tournament of Champions is an 18-year old with a bad reputation. Teams coming in number one seldom go out the same way.

One of the highlights of the final day will be the Steel City Shoot-out at 5:30 p.m. The shoot-out, played in lieu of a third-place game, features a keeper and a striker from each team. Strikers take their best shot at an opposing keeper until only one remains.

Missing from the tournament field this year are the champions of the past six tournaments. Vianney, SLUH and CBC — all members of the Metro Catholic Conference along with Chaminade and DeSmet — were among those teams leaving the field in Granite City to join the first-year Rick Tatum Memorial Soccer Tournament at Anheuser-Busch Conference & Sports Centre in southwest St. Louis County.

CBC has won the last two Granite City titles. SLUH won in 1994 and Vianney captured the title in 1990, '91, '92. The three schools have won 11 of the last 16 championships.

"Ours is a tough, grueling tournament," said Granite City coach Gene Baker. "The team that survives and wins usually goes out and loses its next game. It's exhausting. But, it's exciting. The history of the tournament makes it exciting, and the quality of teams present make it exciting. This will be a typically strong and competitive tournament."

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Past tournament champions and MVPs.....Page 2B

The first pre-tournament team.....Page 2B

POOL A

Aquinas-Mercy
Belleville West
Blue Springs
Fort Zumwalt South

POOL B

DeSmet
McCluer North
Belleville East
Springfield Sacred Heart Griffin

POOL C

Granite City
St. Charles West
O'Fallon
Rosary

POOL D

Hazelwood Central
Duchesne
Chaminade
Francis Howell North

Belleville East gets a leg up in conference with win

By Toby Carrig
Staff writer

Belleville West and Belleville East battled scorelessly through regulation Thursday night at Laderman Park.

But in the overtime session, East wore down the Maroons for a 4-0 victory.

The triumph gave the Lancers the upper hand in the Southwestern Conference with a 3-0 mark and two league games (Alton and Granite

City) remaining. The defeat was the first in four conference games for West, 0-5-1 overall and coming off a shut-out victory win against Granite City earlier in the week.

"The longer it went on, it was in our favor," said East coach Gary Carr, whose team kept its unbeaten mark at 7-0-0.

West keeper Pat White frustrated East's most scoring efforts through regulation and especially the second half.

BOYS SOCCER

SOUTHWESTERN CONFERENCE

EAST 4, WEST 0 (OT)

He had 12 saves by the time went into overtime, including a dandy one-handed punch midway through the second half.

But when White made a diving save in overtime, he was injured and had to leave the game.

Sophomore Matt Nagel picked up where White left off,

making one save and then thwarting another shot with a diving punch save. But on that save, the ball rebounded to Kiko Perez, who blooped a shot toward the goal.

While Nagel was still on the ground, East's Matt Schaeffer battled two West defenders on the goal line and knocked the ball in.

The flood gates were opened. After East's Larry Scheller was taken down in the box, Jim Heinen converted the penalty kick for a 2-0 East lead.

In the second 10-minute OT, East scored on two nearly identical indirect kick and header plays. Perez set up Scheller for one goal, Matt Gruner assisted Ryan Coates on the other.

East goalkeeper Owen Seibel was challenged for just seven saves as the Lancers defense kept West from threatening.

"We have some real good players who play position very well," Carr said.

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Field set for Tournament of Champions

POOL B

DeSmet

The Spartans were 10-3-1 heading into a Saturday night tangle with Metro Catholic Conference rival Chaminade. Led by the striker tandem of Pat Noonan and Scott Fann, DeSmet won the Hawk Classic (at Hazelwood Central), beating Granite City in the semifinals and squeaking past the host on penalty kicks in the championship clash. DeSmet is a strong team in a less than stellar pool.

Belleville East

Lancers coach Gary Carr has the only unbeaten team in the field heading into the Tournament of Champions. East is 8-0-3 following a 4-0 overtime defeat of Belleville West on Thursday. After several lackluster seasons, the Belleville East program is on the upswing. The Lancers are playing their best soccer of the year. They are sitting atop the Southwestern Conference standings (3-0-0) and could pull some surprises.

McCluer North

Paul Gwydir is the lone highlight in what has been a down year for North. Ray Stahl's troops are 4-11-0 and spiraling downward entering tournament play, despite shutting out Riverview Gardens on Thursday. The Tournament of Champions has a way of bringing out the best in struggling teams.

Sacred Heart Griffin

Griffin, at 8-4-1 heading into Saturday's joust with Jacksonville, is the tournament's unknown factor. Coached by 1984 Granite City High School graduate Sam Tate, who has a 40-12-1 record in his third year at the helm, the Cyclones are making their first appearance in the tournament. All-star Peter Christofilakos leads a well-balanced offensive attack for this darkhorse unit that could spell trouble in Pool B.



Steve Hendrickson and his Granite City teammates will be in Pool C this week in the Tournament of Champions.

POOL C

Granite City

The Warriors are 11-5-0, but come into the Tournament of Champions limping, having lost back-to-back games to Belleville West (2-1) and O'Fallon (1-0). But, don't sell the host team short. When the Warriors are on their game, they can beat anyone. Freshman Mike Smith has stepped up big for coach Gene Baker, who is also getting good play from 6-foot-4 Josh Hickam and sweeper Adam Sanchez.

Rosary

An upset loss to Belleville Althoff is all that stands between the Rebels and an undefeated season. Paul Stoecklin's troops are 11-1-3, including wins against St. Louis powers Chaminade and Vianney, a tie with Hazelwood Central, and a 1-1 tie with league rival Aquinas-Mercy this past Thursday. CBC transfer Justin Deckard may be the best goalie in the St. Louis area, shutting out six of nine opponents since becoming eligible Sept. 10. Rosary is beatable in Pool C, but it won't be easy.

O'Fallon

The Panthers, coached by Art Voellinger, are a surprising 11-1-0 on the year, nipping visiting Granite City 1-0 on Wednesday. They have allowed only four goals on the season — three of those in one game — and have a history of pulling major upsets in the Tournament of Champions. O'Fallon could pull a surprise right off the bat as they meet Rosary at 4:45 p.m. Monday.

St. Charles West

The Warriors are 7-3-3 with ties against Saint Louis University High and Aquinas-Mercy, and a 3-0 whitewash of Howell North. Led by junior forward Pat Demling, coach Derek Phillips' team is capable of beating any team in the pool, thwarting the semifinal plans of higher-ranked opponents.

POOL A

Aquinas-Mercy

The Falcons are 8-4-2 on the year, including a strong fourth-place finish last weekend in the CVO/Bob Guelker Memorial Tournament, losing to Vianney and SLUH in back-to-back games. Aquinas-Mercy, the defending Missouri State High School Activities Association Class 1A-2A champion, is coached by Vince Drake, who is 504-187-73 in 29 years at the helm. The Falcons appear to have the best chance in the pool of advancing to the semifinals.

Belleville West

The Maroons, coached by Bill Houck, are the surprise team of the year in the Metro East so far, carving out 10-5-1 record and standing second in the Southwestern Conference at 3-1-0. West comes into tournament action on a roll, upsetting Granite City 2-1 at the Gauntlet last Tuesday and taking city rival East to overtime on Thursday before losing. They are capable of keeping Aquinas-Mercy out of the Final Four.

Blue Springs

The defending MSHSAA Class 4A state champion, Blue Springs is 7-5-0 on the year, 5-0 in the Big Eight Conference. Doug McLagen is in his fifth season at the Wildcats helm and has fashioned his squad around versatile Mark Shaver, sweeper Bryan DeFoe, midfielder Jon Evans and goalie Todd Barnhart, MVP of last year's state tournament.

Fort Zumwalt South

Striker Brian Hoffman powers a Bulldogs attack that has coach Lloyd Daugherty's team standing 7-2-4 for the fall campaign, including a 1-1 tie with Francis Howell North last Wednesday. The St. Charles (Mo.) County team has fared well against teams in the Tournament of Champions, playing Belleville East to a 3-3 standstill and defeating Duchesne 3-0.



(Photo by JOHN SWISTAK JR.)

Belleville West's Chris Norbet scored two key goals last week at the Gauntlet.

POOL D

Chaminade

All-stater Tim Sartori is the spark that powers the 12-1-2 Flyers/Red Devils. Losing to Rosary in the third game of the year, Chaminade has tied Lindbergh and Pattonville. But Mike Gauvain's troops roared to the CVO/Bob Guelker tournament title and defeated St. Louis powerhouses Vianney, CBC and SLUH in a recent eight-day span. They are the tournament's team to beat.

Hazelwood Central

The 11-3-1 Hawks have beaten and lost to SLUH, tied Rosary, and lost to DeSmet on penalty kicks in the championship clash of their own Hawk Classic. Dean Schluenberg, in his ninth season at Central, believes the Hawks are playing their best soccer of the season. The vaunted Central defense, anchored by sweeper Derek Tracy, has allowed six goals in its first 15 games.

Duchesne

Dave Thurmer's Pioneers have struggled through a 5-7-1 campaign this fall with a young squad. Thurmer starts a trio of freshman, a pair of sophomores and as many as three juniors. Add to the mix, a small nucleus of hard-nosed, hard-working seniors and Duchesne can spell trouble for any favorite taking them lightly.

Francis Howell North

Vince Nowak, in his 12th season at the Howell North helm, has fashioned a 5-6-3 team that is better than his losing record indicates. Sensational sophomore Tim McCafferty is always ready to play, and he could key a serious upset in pool D.

PRE-TOURNAMENT TEAM

Following the pattern of tournaments in Europe, Granite City soccer coach Gene Baker has formulated a "pre-tournament team," 13 players to watch during this week's tournament action.

Call them a "Baker's Dozen."

Howell North coach Vince Nowak called McCafferty "one of the best sophomores in the greater St. Louis area."

Chris Norbet, Belleville West

Second in a senior class of 482 students, Norbet also ranks high as a scorer, netting 19 goals for the Maroons so far this year.

Pat Noonan, DeSmet

A three-year starter for the Spartans, the junior had 13 goals prior to Saturday's match against Chaminade.

Scott Fann, DeSmet

Fann, a senior, leads the Spartans with 17 goals from his forward position.

Justin Deckard, Rosary

A transfer from CBC, Deckard sat out last season and did not become eligible this year until Sept. 10. Rated as one of the top goalkeepers in the area, Deckard has posted six shutouts in only nine starts.

Derek Tracy, Hazelwood Central

The senior is a three-year starter for coach Dean Schluenberg. As the team's sweeper, Tracy anchors a defense that has allowed only six goals through its first 15 games.

Pat Demling, St. Charles West

Demling, a junior, who possesses good speed and controls the ball well with his feet, had seven goals and four assists entering tournament play.

Larry Scheller, Belleville East

The senior captain and three-sport athlete stands 6-2 and is an excellent leader. It is no accident that Scheller's strength is his heading and that he is extremely dangerous in the box on restarts.

Kevin Kelper, Aquinas-Mercy

A 5-11 senior, Kelper is physically strong with great breakaway speed and overall quickness. A four-year starter, Kelper has 10 goals this year, on pace to break his personal best of 13 goals set last year.

Tim Sartori, Chaminade

"He is the best defender in St. Louis," said Chaminade coach Mike Gauvain flatly. "He's got the things you can't teach. He has great soccer instinct and is a tremendous leader."

Adam Sanchez, Granite City

The senior standout made the transition from forward to sweeper this season for coach Gene Baker and is having a great year.

Paul Gwydir, McCluer North

Gwydir may be the most versatile athlete in the tournament. A four-year starter, he has played every position including goalie. Gwydir has scored one-third of North's goals this season.

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

18th annual Pepsi-Cola/Granite City Tournament of Champions

Monday	
4 p.m.*	Belleville West vs. Fort Zumwalt South.
3:15 p.m.	Belleville East vs. McCluer North.
4:45 p.m.	O'Fallon vs. Rosary.
6:15 p.m.	Hazelwood Central vs. Chaminade.
7:45 p.m.	Granite City vs. St. Charles West.
Tuesday	
4 p.m.*	Rosary vs. St. Charles West.
3:15 p.m.	Francis Howell North vs. Hazelwood Central.
4:45 p.m.	Chaminade vs. Duchesne.
6:15 p.m.	Aquinas-Mercy vs. Belleville West.
7:45 p.m.	DeSmet vs. Springfield Sacred Heart Griffin.
Wednesday	
4 p.m.*	Duchesne vs. Hazelwood Central.
3:15 p.m.	Francis Howell North vs. Chaminade.
4:45 p.m.	McCluer North vs. Springfield Sacred Heart Griffin.
6:15 p.m.	Granite City vs. O'Fallon.
7:45 p.m.	Aquinas-Mercy vs. Fort Zumwalt South.
Thursday	
4 p.m.*	Springfield Sacred Heart Griffin vs. Belleville East.
3:15 p.m.	O'Fallon vs. St. Charles West.
4:45 p.m.	DeSmet vs. McCluer North.
6:15 p.m.	Francis Howell North vs. Duchesne.
7:45 p.m.	Blue Springs vs. Fort Zumwalt South.
Friday	
3:15 p.m.	Blue Springs vs. Belleville West.
4:45 p.m.	Belleville East vs. DeSmet.
6:15 p.m.	Granite City vs. Rosary.
7:45 p.m.	Blue Springs vs. Aquinas-Mercy.
Saturday	
8 a.m.	Semifinals: Pool C winner vs. Pool D winner.
11 a.m.	Semifinals: Pool A winner vs. Pool B winner.
5:30 p.m.	Steel City Shoot-out.
7 p.m.	Championship Game.

* — All 4 p.m. games on adjacent field.

TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

Previous Champions/MVPs	
Year	Champion
1981	Vianney
1982	Granite City
1983	McCluer North
1984	Rosary
1985	DeSmet
1986	SLUH
1987	Vianney
1988	CBC
1989	SLUH
1990	Granite City
1991	Vianney
1992	Vianney
1993	Vianney
1994	SLUH
1995	CBC
1996	CBC

Most Championships: Vianney, 4 (1981, '91, '92, '93).
Multiple Championships: Vianney, 4 (1981, '91, '92, '93); SLUH, 3 (1986, '88, '94); CBC, 3 (1988, '95, '96); Granite City, 2 (1982, '90).
Consecutive Championships: Vianney, 3 (1991, '92, '93); CBC, 2 (1995, '96).
Schools with Most MVPs: Vianney, 5; SLUH, 3; Granite City, 2; CBC, 2; DeSmet, 2.
Only MVP Not on Championship Team: Mike Brown, DeSmet (1995).

— All information for this package compiled by Pat Heston.

Registrations being accepted for November indoor soccer tournament

Entries are being accepted for the 11th annual Tournament of Champions indoor soccer event Nov. 23-30 at The Ball Park Sports Center in O'Fallon.

The tournament offers competition in two divisions for youth teams — recreational/school and all-star/select. The age groups for girls and boys in both divisions range from players born between Aug. 1, 1983 and July 31, 1991. Additionally, the all-star/select division will offer competition for boys and girls born

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between Aug. 1, 1979 and July 31, 1983. High school boys and girls teams are welcome to compete.

The entry fee is \$130 for each team, with three games guaranteed. Every player and two coaches from each team will receive souvenir T-shirts with their entry fee.

The tournament is being hosted by Downtown Imprints, an under-17 boys select team

from the Collinsville-Troy area, and the Althoff High School boys soccer program. For more information or to receive an application, call tournament director Bob Emig at 344-0984.

Golf scramble

The Legacy four-man golf scramble is set for Oct. 25. Tee times start at 9 a.m. The \$220 per-team fee includes 18 holes of golf, golf cart and prize money. A \$20 skins game is optional. Prize money will be paid out to first through fourth places, and there will be a 100 percent payout. All play will be from the blue tees. Entry deadline is Oct. 16.

Breakfast with the Blues

The St. Louis Blues will be attending the annual "Breakfast with the Blues" event.

fast with the Blues" on Tuesday at the Missouri Athletic Club. The entire team will be in attendance and seated at tables with the fans.

Broadcaster Ken Wilson will begin the program at 8 a.m. with the introduction of the 1997-98 team and Blues executives. Mark Sauer, Blues president, and Larry Pleau, senior vice president and general manager, will speak about recent off-season activities involving the club and the upcoming season under coach Joel Quenneville. Banquet attendees will have the opportunity to ask questions of the team and Blues memorabilia will be awarded as attendance prizes.

For reservations, call the Missouri Athletic Club at (314) 539-4470.

Men's basketball leagues

The Granite City Park District Men's Basketball Leagues are now forming. League games will be played on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings at Pather School and Grigsby Middle School. The entry fee for all leagues is \$230 per team, plus \$25 for non-residents. League play begins Nov. 11.

Registration will run from Sept. 29 through Oct. 31. For more information, call Ray Hoffman at the Wilson Park office (877-3059).

Coed volleyball

The Granite City Park District is planning a coed volleyball league to be played on Monday evenings at 7 p.m. at Coolidge Middle School. Entry fees for this program are \$175 per team, plus \$25 for non-residents. Registration runs from Sept. 27 through Oct. 17. League play will begin on Nov. 3. For more information, call the Wilson Park office at 877-3059.

Volleyball tryouts

Belleville Momentum Volleyball Club is holding tryouts for seventh- and eighth-grade girls

for its 14-and-under team. The tryouts will be held at 11 a.m. in Belleville, from 7:15-9:30 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 17; 1:30-3:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 18 and Sunday, Oct. 19.

Rena Zenzarova is the coach. The tryout fee is \$10 and a parent must be present to sign forms at the tryouts. For more information, call 234-8814.

Columbus Day run

The Columbus Day 1K Kids Run will be held at 11 a.m. Oct. 11 at O'Fallon City Park. The race is for boys and girls in the under-7, 7-8, 9-10, 11-12 and 13-14 age groups. The overall boys and girls winners receive trophies and medals will be awarded to the first three runners in each age division.

The entry fee is \$6, make checks payable to the O'Fallon K of C. The first 125 entrants receive a T-shirt. Proceeds benefit the Area 12 Special Olympics. Race day registration is available between 9:30 and 10:30 a.m. on Oct. 11. For more information, call "Foz" Ryan at 632-5597.

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OCT. 6 Granite City.	MONDAY PREP SOCCER: Granite City Tournament (O'Fallon, Belleville West, Belleville East, Belleville East).	OCT. 7 PREP SOCCER: Granite City Tournament (O'Fallon, Belleville West, Belleville East, Granite City). BOYS GOLF: Regionals.	TUESDAY GIRLS TENNIS: Waterloo at Granite City, 4 p.m. PREP CROSS COUNTRY: Madison County Meet, TBA (Granite City, Edwardsville, Triad).	OCT. 8 Granite City. GIRLS GOLF: Regionals.	WEDNESDAY PREP SOCCER: Granite City Tournament (O'Fallon, Belleville West, Belleville East, Belleville East).	OCT. 9 Granite City. GIRLS VOLLEYBALL: Columbia at Lovejoy. PREP SOCCER: Granite City Tournament (O'Fallon, Belleville West, Belleville East, Granite City).	THURSDAY PREP FOOTBALL: Granite City at Alton, 7:30 p.m. PREP SOCCER: Granite City Tournament (O'Fallon, Belleville West, Belleville East, Granite City).	OCT. 10 Granite City. GIRLS TENNIS: Southwestern Conference Tournament at Alton, 10 a.m.	FRIDAY PREP SOCCER: Granite City Tournament (O'Fallon, Belleville West, Belleville East, Granite City).	OCT. 11 PREP CROSS COUNTRY: Wood River Invitational (Granite City, Edwardsville, Granite City, Granite City).
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football remained No. 1 for the boys at 957,507 while basketball was first for the girls at 447,687. Second is basketball for the boys and outdoor track for the girls.

Basketball is the most-sponsored sport with 16,704 schools offering it to the boys and 16,325 schools for the girls.

Footnote

Note was made here recently of Alden-Hobron High having its football season saved when two girls joined the team to help prevent forfeits.

All was well until, after the team lost 26-6 to the Wisconsin School of the Deaf, the girls had too many injuries to continue the season.

The defeat, before a crowd of more than 300 fans (enrollment is 146), left the northern Illinois school with a 0-3 record and 2-19 mark for the past three seasons.

Numbers though can be deceiving. Consider Harvey Thornton (enrollment of 2,200), a school offers boys soccer but not girls soccer. Thus, Citiati Lagunas, a 5-foot-4, 130-pound senior, is not only a member of the boys team but a starter.

Tube time

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Apparently, Fox Net will

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year, the network — in its first year of a four-year deal with the IHSA — televised 90 hours of events, including 12 boys and nine girls finals.

According to Jim Corno, Sports Channel's vice president and general manager, the change in ownership could mean distribution of IHSA finals to a Fox sister system in St. Louis that extends viewership into Southwestern Illinois.

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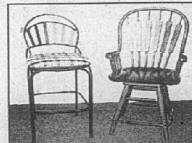
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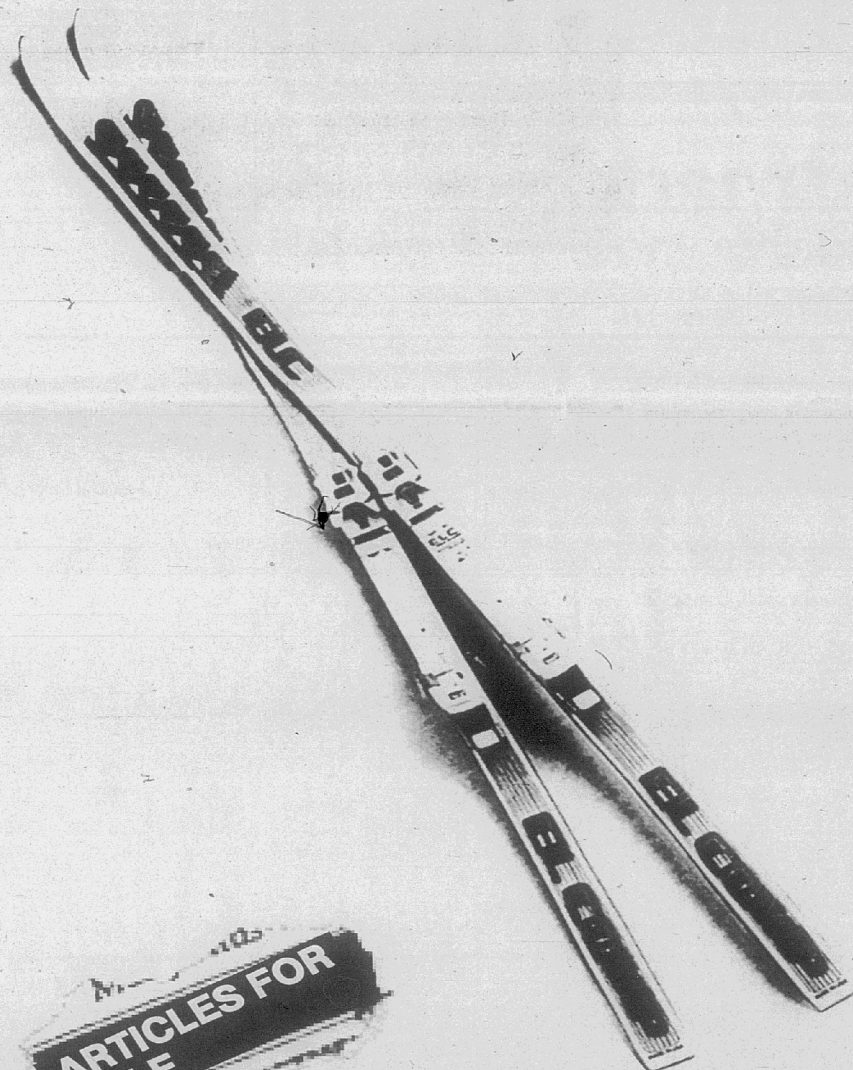
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Stockyards: Ripe for redevelopment?

Company is seeking proposals for new uses

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

Joe Frei is looking for ideas. The vice president of development for St. Louis National Stockyards operations in St. Louis, Frei said he is in the process of developing a strategic plan for the property, most of which is located in what is now the village of National City between East St. Louis and Brooklyn.

Last week the company announced it would be closing down the stockyard operations on Dec. 31 in favor of commercial and industrial development.

The shift of emphasis at the stockyard is being made because of changes in the livestock and meat packing industry, Frei said.

The East St. Louis area was once one of the largest livestock and meat packing centers in the nation, but with the closing of the meat packing plants and changes in the industry, the number of animals coming through the stockyards has dramatically decreased.

Among changes cited by Frei were fewer farmers raising livestock and agreements between large livestock operations and packing/processing companies that bypassed the stockyards.

He said the company would still have its offices, warehousing and restaurant — the Inn Again — at the stockyards.

About 25-30 stockyard jobs will be lost. Frei had no figures on related job losses.

The company also has another stockyard in Oklahoma City, specializing in cattle.

"The mainstay for this yard was hogs," he said.

The stockyard property includes about 400 acres that can be developed. Because of the redeveloped Gateway International Raceway and other related developments, the area to the north-east is expected to boom in the next few years, and stockyard officials are hoping to cash in on that.

"We're going to consider everything," Frei said.

One immediate concern is to market the Inn Again.

"We probably have to change our strategy (on marketing)," he said.

In the past, the restaurant was very popular with people doing business at the stockyards and related industries and relied on word-of-mouth for other business.

Frei and other stockyard officials are planning to meet with business and civic leaders sometime this month to begin the planning process for the rest of the property.

The meeting is expected to be the first of many. The present plan is to have a strategic concept mapped out within a year.

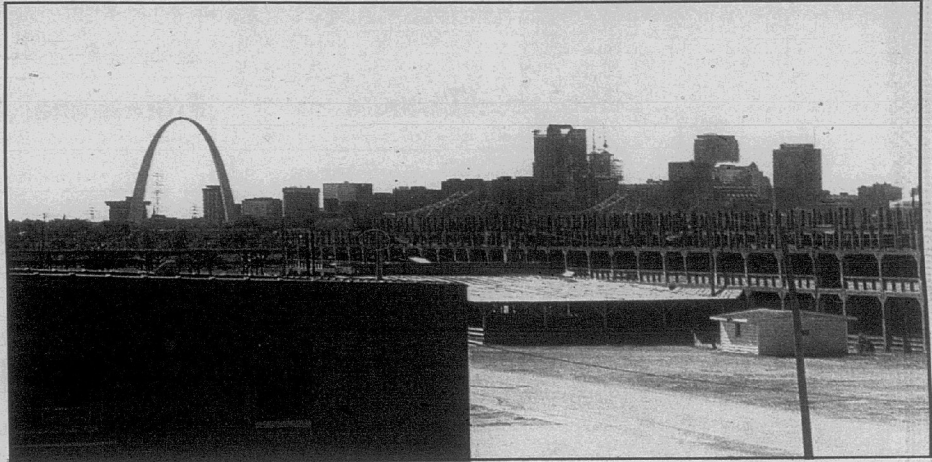
Frei said there are no specific plans or developments right now.

The process will probably take about a year, and he said the company must be willing to make changes in the plan.

"We're trying to be realistic and come at it from a common sense approach," he said. "We have 400-plus acres to develop, so that makes us a major player in the process."

He said they are going to be very flexible when it comes to developments.

"One thing may lead to another," he said. "We know what direction we're going, but don't know which road we're going to take to get there."



The National Stockyards, set to close in December, is just a stone's throw from Downtown St. Louis — a prime location for future development.

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— Joe Frei

"This is a dynamic plan that will be changing from day to day and year to year," he said.

The first phase of the redevelopment is to take stock of what the property has to offer and what needs to be done to clean it up.

Much of the success of the area, and who benefits, may depend on politics.

The fate of the village of National City is now in the court system, and planned highway improvements await construction funds.

Oral arguments over a move by St. Clair County to disincorporate the village of National City have been recently heard by the appellate court in Mt. Vernon.

The county attempted to have the village disincorporated by claiming it had less than the required number of residents. The stockyards had sought the disincorporation because of a very high municipal tax rate.

If the county is successful, the disincorporation could pave the way for surrounding municipalities to attempt annexing the property.

The Illinois Department of Transportation has plans to improve and relocate Illinois 3 from Venice to Interstate 55/70. IDOT and the Missouri Department of Transportation have plans for a new bridge crossing the Mississippi River — through National City with connections at Illinois 3, 203, and the interstates.

Joe Crowe, IDOT program development engineer, said both projects are in the first phase of engineering.

The cost of the bridge is estimated at \$450-\$500 million, while Crowe did not have figures for the Illinois 3 improvements.

However, when the final route for the proposed bridge was announced, some officials said they wanted the project fast-tracked, and the Illinois 3 improvements would have to be completed at the same time.

Not dead yet

East Side national park for riverfront still on schedule

By Jason White
Staff writer

Reports of the East St. Louis national park's death have been greatly exaggerated.

That's the view of St. Louis lawyer Malcolm Martin, president of Gateway Center of Metropolitan St. Louis.

Martin, who helped form the group in 1968 to prevent visual blight near the Arch, said the extension of the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial to the East St. Louis riverfront is still afoot.

Since Congress appropriated \$1.25 million for the park in 1991, the National Park Service has spent about \$250,000 on a survey of the land near the defunct Continental Grain Elevator.

But the remaining \$838,000 has remained unspent, largely because officials in East St. Louis are unwilling to finance moving the grain elevator.

On Sept. 25, Illinois' two U.S. senators, Dick Durbin and Carol Moseley-Braun, approved a spending bill to shift the balance of the money to renovate a World War II German submarine at Chicago's Museum of Science and Industry.

"It wasn't a case of pitting the interest of Chicago versus the Metro East," Moseley-Braun spokesman Mike Briggs said. "The authorizing legislation is still on the books — if we can ever develop interest in the St. Louis region in contributing to the project, it can go forward."

But the next week, the political winds shifted, as U.S. Rep. Jerry Costello of Belleville announced on Oct. 1 that the money would remain available for the East St. Louis project.

Martin said his group's plans for the

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Moseley-Braun spokesman

riverfront, which include a cultural museum and a performing arts amphitheatre, would draw tourists and revitalize the riverfront.

"We are on schedule, except we still need some money to pay for the museum," Martin said. He estimated the group needs \$8 to \$10 million.

The park is the brainchild of former U.S. Sen. Paul Simon, who saw the museum and performing arts center as a way to bring East St. Louis into national prominence.

Currently, the city relies on the Casino Queen for about \$10 million per year — half of its tax revenue. Critics have said the casino opposes the park because it wants to develop its own projects, including a luxury hotel on 53 acres formerly set aside for the park.

Martin, however, said that the casino's portion of the 100-acre park site is minimal.

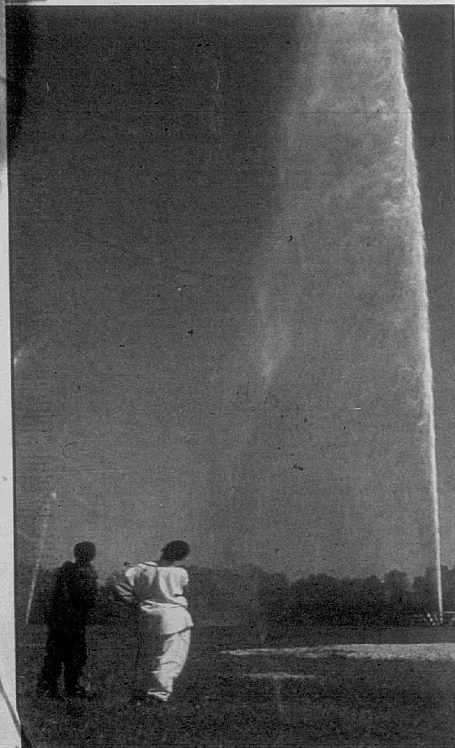
"What the Casino Queen is doing is helping protect our north flank from incompatible development," Martin said. "They're cooperating with us on the plan."

Martin's group currently owns 32 acres. The grain elevator occupies 8 acres, and the remaining 60 is public land along the levy, Martin said.

The group has already built the world's highest fountain — more than 600 feet when the wind is blowing right-

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(Photo by MIKE VIOLA)
The world's highest fountain spews out water on the East St. Louis riverfront.

Fall Progress PROFILES

Group hopes to enhance bridge's storied history

By Mike Myers
Staff writer

It is located in one of the most beautiful spots on the Mississippi River. It has great historical significance. It holds fond memories for several generations of residents on both sides of the river. It's popularity as a recreation destination proved uncontrollable.

Yet it has been an albatross around the neck of its owners for many years, a multimillion dollar landmark not worth the powder to blow it to pieces.

In its heyday, the Old Chain of Rocks Bridge was a gold mine. Owned and operated as a toll bridge by the city of Madison and located on the heavily traveled St. Louis bypass of U.S. Route 66, it provided the city with a constant flow of money. Narrow lanes and a bend in the middle of the bridge meant it was crossed at a pace that gave plenty of time to take in its breath-taking view of the St. Louis riverfront. Especially when a truck failed to negotiate the bend — something that happened often enough to be remembered now as an almost daily occurrence.

All of that changed in 1968 when Interstate 270 and its bridges opened. The gold mine had played out.

Almost immediately, however, the bridge became a popular — if technically illegal — destination for picnickers, cyclists and thrill seekers. Its location next to a federal recreation area made it a natural attraction. Madison was faced with the question of what to do with a bridge to nowhere. Its location and popularity were cited in an almost endless stream of pie-in-the-sky proposals from groups who wanted to turn it into a restaurant, a shopping center and even a casino.

Meanwhile, was rented out as a movie loca-

"Its location is perfect. It's hard to describe, perhaps, but it will take your breath away."

Ted Curtis
Gateway Trailnet

tion and leased to a pipeline company. All the time, it remained a popular recreation spot. In 1990, it was estimated that 1,500 people gathered there on the Fourth of July to watch the fireworks on the St. Louis riverfront.

Unfortunately, it had also become a popular spot for underage drinking and what law enforcement officials called a tragedy waiting to happen.

That tragedy came in April 1991 when two young women were raped and then forced to leap to their death from the bridge. After that all entrances to the bridge were sealed and its days as a recreation site seemed over.

Madison and Gateway Trailnet Inc. — a St. Louis-based group that supports and operates bicycle trails — successfully completed a year-long effort to allow the group to lease the bridge and make it a centerpiece of the region's bicycle trail network.

Connecting trails on both sides of the river have been funded and construction is already well underway on the Missouri side. At the same time, an engineering study on the bridge is being done and funding has been arranged for its rehabilitation.

In July, the bridge was closed for about a year as the renovations are done. It will open again in September 1998.

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During an open house last February, the bridge again proved to be a popular place.

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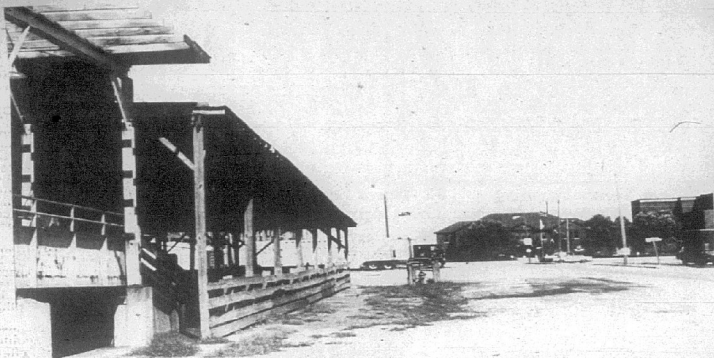
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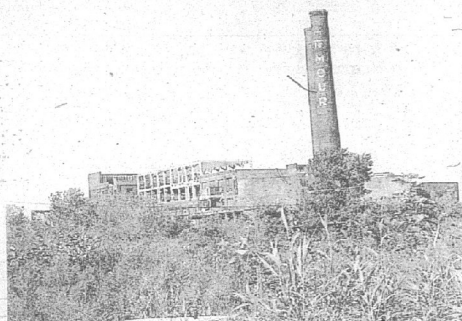
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The old Armour meat-packing plant, long a part of the stockyards, has set vacant for decades. The stockyards were established in 1873, and Whittaker Co. was the first meat-packing plant there. Later, Swift & Co. bought that plant, separate from Armour.



This steer leers proudly onto the stockyards grounds, sitting just above the entrance to the Inn Again.



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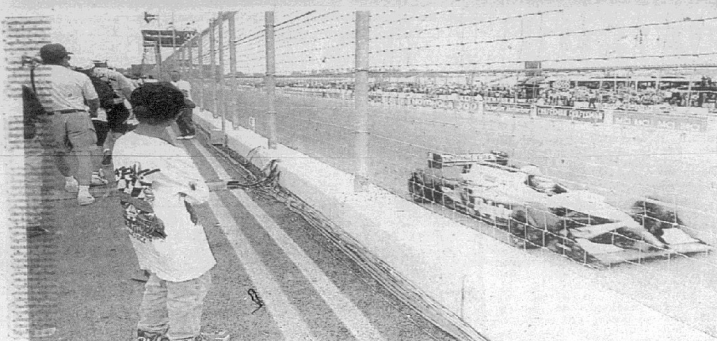
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•Track—

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ers are starting to do product testing at the track, something that he and other officials counted on, he said. The St. Louis area is one of the most important auto manufacturing regions in the country.

"GM does all their testing for their pro-stock truck cars (at Gateway International), and I think Ford does too. In both cases, the companies building the chassis for the vehicles are in St. Louis.

Wolter said other programs such as a law enforcement driving school and racing school should get started up next year.

"We've got to develop programs. We've had ongoing talks with the (Illinois) state police," he said. "We don't want them to just come out here and drive around."

He said there are other improvements planned for the track.

"We have a lot to do for next year," he said.

That includes expanding the seating for the oval track to 70,000 from the current 50,000. Also planned are permanent restroom and concession stands.

He said they were looking at other improvements.

Troy TIF district needs developer

By Alene Hill
Staff writer

Troy city officials continue their nationwide search for a developer for the newly created TIF district.

"We will be receiving proposals for development," said Mayor Tom Caraker. "Then we will choose the best development for us."

The Troy City Council approved the tax increment finance district in early September after a 3-year struggle to pass the measure. The district includes 177 acres on the east side of Interstate 55/70 and is expected to generate between 739 and 1,599 jobs in five years.

As recently as last April, the council had dropped plans to establish the district. That caused newly elected Mayor Tom Caraker and the council to start from scratch.

Several taxing bodies — the Triad School district, Jarvis Township, Madison County, the

Troy Fire Protection, Belleville Area College, and the Tri-County Library District — have all approved the TIF District.

"The project will not cost the taxpayers a dime," said Caraker. State and local tax increases from the development project within the TIF boundaries go toward public expense involved in the cost. Those expenses would include water/sewer lines, utilities, and roads.

In Troy's TIF District, any new tax revenue generated by the development for the next 23 years goes into a special tax allocation fund that must be used for improvements within the district.

Tentative plans for the project feature restaurants, multi-screen theater, bowling alley, retail stores, and a teen center.

"We are very excited, but we have no time frame as yet," Caraker said. "We're not going to allow this piecemeal."

•Bridge—

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How popular is the bridge?

On a bitter cold and windy April Saturday more than a thousand people paid \$12 each for the right to ride or walk across the bridge during a fundraiser for Gateway Trailnet.

Why is it so popular?

"There's the historic nature of the bridge, of course, Route 66 and all that," said Ted Curtis of Gateway Trailnet. "But its location is perfect. It's hard to describe, perhaps, but it will take your breath away."

When open, the Old Chain of Rocks Bridge can be reached on the Illinois side at the Chain of Rocks Recreation Area just off Highway 3 north of Granite City or from Riverview Drive just south of I-270 on the Missouri side.

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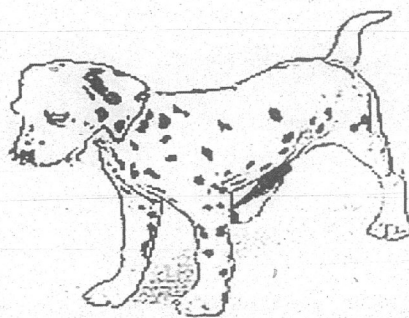
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Inaugural success

In spite of minor problems, racetrack speeds to success

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

Despite a few glitches and setbacks, officials at Gateway International Raceway are very pleased with events this

year and are looking forward to the next racing season. "There's no doubt about it, it's been a banner year for us, especially for our first year," said Rod Wolter, Gateway

president and general manager. "We're happy." The recent Twin-100's race, which ended the racing season for the 1.25-mile oval track, was even more important than

usual. It was the first test for the track following heat-related problems during the Gateway 300 NASCAR Busch Series race.

Extreme heat caused part of the track's asphalt surface to crumble. "The surface held up just as we thought it would," Wolter said of the new surface. "And will only get better with a full winter to strengthen."

"And what can you say about the racing?" he added. "These two series put on a tremendous show. The combination of open wheel and stock car racing proved one of the best attractions we've had all this season, and the fans who saw the race today will not doubt tell their friends to be here next time."

"The drivers were a little nervous, and said they were overly cautious during the qualifying heats," he said. Driver Tim Steele agreed.

"We all came in apprehensive," he said. "We all heard the stories about what happened in July."

"But this race track was perfect. We were in two grooves all afternoon, and there was enough rubber and grip for you to really do some racing," he said. "It was a great race, and I'm looking forward to coming back to this race track."

The final two "major" events at the strip this year were the Fast Ford's and Muscle Mustang show Sept. 20-21, and the United Black Drag Racers event Sept. 25-26.

Although no more races are set for the oval track this season, Wolter said it would not sit idle. "We've got it rented practically every day in October," he said.

Track users include race car

drivers testing vehicles and equipment, and parts and auto manufacturers. He said the track will be open at least through late

November, and could be used whenever weather permits. Local auto parts manufacturer (See TRACK, Page 5C)



Construction began on the 1.25-mile oval at Gateway International Raceway just after the completion of the new dragstrip. Here, crews in late 1996 move dirt for the new oval, which was completed in record time. The first race at the oval was the Motorola 300 PPC-Indy Car race. About 50,000 people attended the race, shown here just as drivers pulled away from the start. For this year, developers plan to add 15,000 seats to the oval track. The \$25 million project is expected to spur growth around the region, especially with hotels and related industries.

Staff photos by JOHN FRESSE

Canal progress

is locked in

By Scott Kelly
Staff writer

The Lock and Dam #27 is one of the most critical river points in the entire Midwest. Roughly 80 million tons of shipping each year passes through the locks, or about half the country's waterway shipping.

The locks are situated off Highway 3 north of the Melvin Price Support Center and Tri-City Regional Port District, one of the largest inland ports in the country.

The locks, and the barge canal, were built half a century ago because navigation between the old Chain of Rock Bridge and St. Louis was extremely difficult. A summary of Corps of Engineers plans in 1947 stated that the 7-mile stretch the Mississippi fell 11 feet, an average of 1 1/2 feet per mile.

The velocities produced in the Chain of Rocks section sometimes exceeded 12 feet per second, requiring double trips of even the most powerful towboats.

When the locks fail, or need regular maintenance, taking time out to fix them costs. Fortunately, when the Army Corp of Engineers started renovating the locks this summer, they stayed right on schedule. The Corps began in August a \$5.5 million modernization project on the main lock in the barge canal.

"We're doing pretty good, and it looks like we'll be finished on schedule," Lockmaster Ed Rogers said. Other work the Corps is doing includes repairs on the lock walls. Work started Aug. 14 and should be complete by Tuesday, if all goes well.

The work was being done at an off-peak time, right after the fall harvest. It took about an hour and a half per tow; under normal conditions, towing crews take about 20 minutes, Rogers said.

The 600-foot lock can only handle tons of nine or fewer barges, while the larger, 1,200-foot main lock, can handle the big 15-barge tows.

This forced large tows to break in half, increasing the time required to pass the lock, which is the lowest on the Mississippi, to 90 to 105 minutes instead of normal times of less than half an hour.

During the renovations, Rogers said the lock let 16 to 18 tows by a day, which is less than a third the number it is capable at full capacity, causing delays of 15 hours or more.

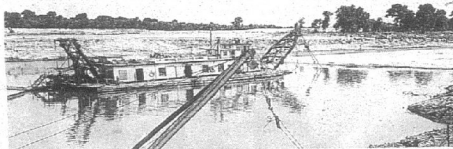
Mike Kruckeberg, acting navigation manager at the Rivers Project office in West Alton, Mo., said the modernization work is centered on the operating arms that control the downstream lock. The arms are set midpoint on the 210-ton gates. As the lock is operated, the arms are constantly either above water or below.

"Anything like that that's in and out of the water will have its wear and tear," he said. The Corps is moving the arms to the top of the gate so they will no longer be submerged, and make them easier to repair.

Previously, the Corps would need to drain the lock any time something went wrong with the arms. The resulting delays — often several days to weeks — could be costly to shippers.

"In the last 20 years, we've had 20 failures of those arms," Kruckeberg said. It was a continuous problem that had to be corrected.

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In this photo from the late 1940s, La Corosse Dredging Corp. is seen digging the trench for the barge canal.

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Physician performance in this group is measured against strict clinical guidelines and standards, developed by physicians. All members of the health care team are rewarded for both improvements in patient satisfaction, as measured by patient surveys, and for achieving high levels of compliance with guidelines and achieving high levels of education requirements.

professional background

Heartland Healthcare is a growing, multi-specialty physicians group currently with 14 primary care physicians and a complete network of physicians specialists. With consolidated offices in the heart of the city, Heartland Healthcare offers a team approach to patient care, which gives each physician a peer support system. Physicians can discuss new clinical guidelines for disease treatments and preventive care, and to review specific patient care issues. Heartland Healthcare is located in the heart of the city of Washington University/Barnes Hospital, thus keeping up with the latest in medical technology. And because quality is always a top priority, Heartland Healthcare is a board certified on board eligible in their fields of expertise.

immediate needs

An important aspect of this group practice is the convenience of more services in one central location. At Heartland's Granite City and Edwardsville sites, for example, they offer on-sit lab and x-ray services, extended hours, and nurse triage capabilities. These extra services provide patients with "one-stop shopping" which increases the convenience and availability of medical care for the patient.

goals for the future

Heartland's continued focus on improving service to patients has resulted in the installation of a new, state-of-the-art phone system in their Granite City office. This automated system allows the patient to select a function, specific to that patient's needs. Choices include medical problems, routine appointments or referrals, test results, and prescription refills. Calls to specific areas are queued so that no calls are lost, and the calls are answered in the order that they are received.

comments

In a time when doctors are facing a changing health care industry and the growth of managed care, one group of physicians is focusing on patient service and satisfaction. "We've taken the daily administrative burdens away from the physicians, allowing them to focus exclusively on the medical care of their patients," explained Mike Linder, president of Heartland Healthcare.

Program finds riders, drivers

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

For the past eight years, Toni Gonzales, a secretary at the Washington University Medical School in St. Louis, has been in a van pool — originally as a rider, but now a driver.

"It's a great way to go, I wish more people would do it; then we wouldn't have the traffic jams," Gonzales said.

Since 1994, RideFinders has helped match up riders, offered van pool programs and worked with area businesses to promote alternative transportation.

The St. Louis-area program serves a seven-county area in Missouri and Illinois. It is funded primarily through Federal Highway Administration Congestion Mitigation Air Quality grants and is administered by the Madison County Transit District.

Program Manager Jane Smith said RideFinders has been very successful.

"We've exceeded all of the expectations of the region as far as the number of employers we work with, the number of individuals participating in the program, the size of the data base we work with," Smith said.

Since it started, the program's data base, which is used to match up car and van pool riders, has grown to more than 11,000; and about 3,500 people are active participants in car and van pooling.

Gonzales started in her van pool after marrying and moving to Illinois.

"You don't put a lot of mileage on your car, insurance is cheaper, and you have some company," she said.

"Most of my people ride because they don't like the drive," she said.

Smith said RideFinders works with both commuters and businesses to promote car and van pooling.

"Car-pooling is very informal, we're simply going to let them know of individuals who have a similar commute to them," she said.

She said one problem with car-pooling is the difficulty in keeping track of them, and those car-pooling outside of the RideFinders program may be missing some of the benefits it offers.

follow up here," she said. "When a match list goes out we do a follow-up, usually within a month."

For van poolers, the program can provide nine- or 15-passenger vans.

"The driver is a commuter as well, and they receive a free commute to offset some of the administrative work they do," she said.

Smith said the program also aggressively promotes car and van pooling through area employers.

RideFinders works with 142 employers with a total of about 120,000 workers.

How ride-sharing is promoted at the workplace depends on a number of factors, including the size of the company, Smith said.

RideFinders also has a 12-minute employee orientation video on traffic congestion in St. Louis.

Smith said they have two account representatives constantly trying to recruit new businesses. They not only look at single employers, but now look at high-traffic and density corridors.

Some of the businesses participating in RideFinders are A.G. Edwards, Boeing Co., May Company, Maritz, Southwestern Bell, Union Electric, the U.S. Postal Service and Washington University.

Kathy Colbeck, personnel services administrator for A.G. Edwards, said about 10 percent of the 3,200 workers at the company's home office in St. Louis participate in ride-sharing. She also said the company is "very supportive" of such programs.

BUSINESS PROFILE



Communications Concepts

business

Communications Concepts offers a complete line of cellular and paging needs with Ameritech as the primary carrier along with a complete line for automobiles: stereos, alarms, keyless entries and remote starters. Their hours of business are: 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday.

history

Communications Concepts was established in 1992 in Edwardsville; it was previously at 2110 Troy Road and is now located at 3006 S. State Rt 159, (North Glen Shopping Center), 551 Beltline (Lakeside Plaza) Collinsville, and 66 Airport plaza, Bethalto.

professional background

Keith Cook is a graduate of Edwardsville High. He attended BAC, where he received his flight ratings, and he flies a corporate jet for a local company. Lisa Cook is a graduate of Roxanna High School and attended Lewis and Clark.

civic involvement

They are both involved in the community in various ways: They dedicate their time to the company and in the free time they like to take a few minutes to look at classical cars.

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BUSINESS PROFILE



Eden Village business

Eden Village is an independent living and retirement village, offering duplexes and apartments along with nursing home care and therapy services.

history

Eden Village was established in 1978 with Mrs. Norfleet as the current manager. Patty Sue Shauer is overseeing the Occupational Therapy Department that was recently opened.

professional background

Eden Village offers occupational therapy and will offer an efficiency apartment where you can cook, clean, make beds, etc. With occupational, tub/shower and registered therapist is on hand. Licensed assistants with PT and certified assistants for OT. Four rehab-aides are trained in both physical and occupational.

civic involvement

The village will be holding its grand opening (Ribbon cutting ceremonies) on Oct. 5th along with an open house for the business sector planned on Oct. 11 with an open house planned to the public on Oct. 19th from 1-4.

comments

Eden Village would like to invite you out to visit them and to see the Nu-Step equipment on line for cardiovascular. The therapy center will be bringing additional equipment on line in the near future.

Granite City area set for economic bang

The area covered by the Granite City Press-Record/Journal is growing economically — fitfully at times, but definitely growing.

Expansions, annexations, new taxing districts and political fights are the norm right now in this area. Granite City, Madison and Pontoon Beach all have designs to expand their borders, while at the same time people in the Mitchell area have organized to prevent those expansions from swallowing them.

However that turns out, the entire region is set for an economic explosion. Some of the things coming in the future or already having an impact include:

- The Gateway Commercial Light-Industry Center near Highway 111 and Interstate 270. This area promises to be an even larger economic boom than a similar, but smaller, development in Earth City, Mo. Already a few companies are interested in setting down roots in the uncompleted center.

- A new taxing increment financing district along Granite City's Highway 3 corridor, plus a new, railway-served industrial park are part of that city's plans to boost the city's and area's coffers. City officials are expecting tremendous growth during the next 10 years, and the creation of at least 5,000 high-paying jobs.

- The Gateway International Raceway officials are quite pleased with the inaugural season and are looking forward to the next racing season. Already thousands of fans are coming into the area to see the races — and spend their money (see related story).

- The closing of the National City Stockyards and possible disincorporation of National City bodes well for the future of that area. National Stockyard Co. will attempt to attract commercial, industrial and recreational development to the area.

- A new bridge spanning the Mississippi River looks to run from the northern part of Downtown St. Louis and empty into the National City area,

bringing more cars and more people and creating plenty of retail and services opportunities. The bridge will probably come in the next 10 years.

- The completely renovation

of the old Chain of Rocks Bridge, to be opened in September 1998, will connect walking and biking trails in Illinois to a Missouri trail leading to Downtown St. Louis and eventually the Katy Trail. The bridge will be the only place to cross the Mississippi by foot or bike, making it a natural draw for tourists and outdoor lovers from all over the country.

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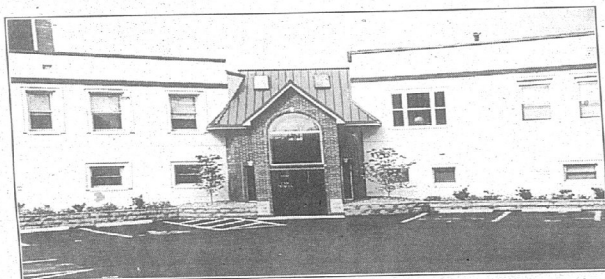
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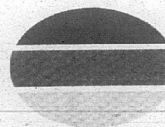
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Troy's history goes back to 1814

By Alene Hill
Staff writer

Four years before Illinois became a state in 1818, John Jarvis entered the Troy settle-

ment at the U.S. Land Office in Edwardsville.

At that time, the village contained a horse grist mill owned by Jarvis; a dry goods store owned by Steven Dewey; a

tavern owned by Joseph Everman; and a few homes.

It was called "Columbia" until James Riggins, who purchased land from Jarvis, renamed the town "Troy."

By 1846, there were still less than 100 people and 12 houses.

Although the actual date of the first school is unknown, meeting houses, or churches, were built and sometimes used as schools. A large two-story brick schoolhouse was erected at the corner of Clay and Hickory Streets on the far eastern border of the Triad School District.

In the early 1800s, Troy was the first station for stage coaches leaving St. Louis where horses were changed. It was also the last station going from Terre Haute, Ind.

Travellers leaving St. Louis in the morning would reach Troy before noon. Those traveling to St. Louis arrived in Troy late at night. This provided revenue for the village from travelers who would buy meals and stay overnight.

Trains were first run between East St. Louis and Highland in 1868. Two years later, the route was completed the St. Louis, Terre Haute, Vandalia Line.

In the 1850s several grain mills were in the village and by the 1870s coal mining began outside the village.

Troy received its first voting precinct in 1844. Before that, voters had to vote in Edwardsville, a favorite polling place since it was the county seat.

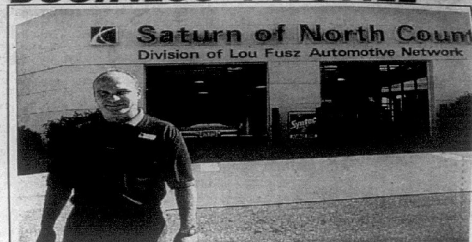
On March 5, 1839, the plat of the village of Troy was placed on record. In 1857, the town was incorporated.

With the incorporation of the plat of Brookside in 1891, the town of Troy had a big enough population to become a city. On April 11, 1892, Troy was officially designated a city.

John Padon became the first president of the Board of Trustees. Jacob F. Clepper was elected the first mayor.

Today, Troy continues to grow and change. In place of a stage coach relay station, motels, truck stops and restaurants still serve travelers. Schools, churches and homes continue to flourish to keep up with Troy's burgeoning growth.

BUSINESS PROFILE



Saturn of Metro East

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owners

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background of owners

The Lou Fusz Automotive Network owns all three Saturn stores. The network has 13 franchises throughout area.

background of business

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comments

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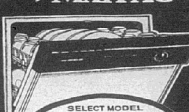
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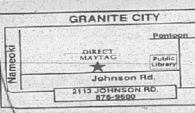
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Locks

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Once all the repair work is done, barges will see smooth sailing on this part of the Mississippi, with repairs hopefully few and far between.

Area barge lines felt the financial crunch from the renovation.

Delays caused by the work has cost the barge industry millions, Kruckeberg said.

Barge lines absorbed all the costs of the delays, which lengthed trips as much as four days in either direction, said Paul Werner, Mid-Continent Vice-President for the American Waterways Operators, a national trade association for the barge industry, based in West St. Louis County.

Where it costs the barge lines is how long each tow waits to go through the lock.

While the barges and cargo

sit idle, the fixed cost goes up in terms of fuel, the crew — typical overheads, Werner said. Whether the boats are running up and down the river, those expenses must be met. Total costs could amount to about \$9,000 a day per boat, he said.

At times, almost two dozen southbound and an equal number of northbound boats and 22 northbound boats waited to go through the lock.

Werner said the longest any one boat had been waiting was since Tuesday, or about a three to four day wait.

Those 42 boats would be currently absorbing a loss of approximately \$400,000 a day, Werner said, and explained that was a ballpark figure.

Boats are moving on the river all the time.

"Any lost hour or day can't be made up," when a boat sits

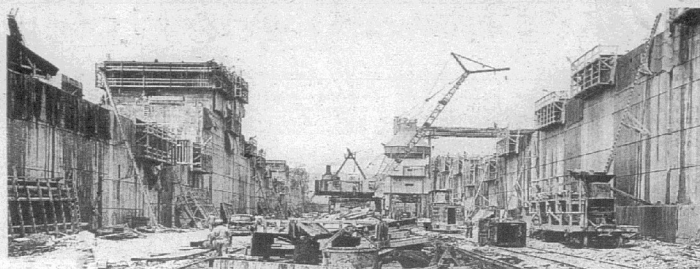
idle, for whatever reason, he said. "There's no way to ever recoup it."

No barge line appears in serious danger because of a few days' delay. Only something catastrophic, such as the Great Flood of 1993, could a barge line go bankrupt from delays. A few companies were put out of business from more than six weeks' worth of lost business, Werner said.

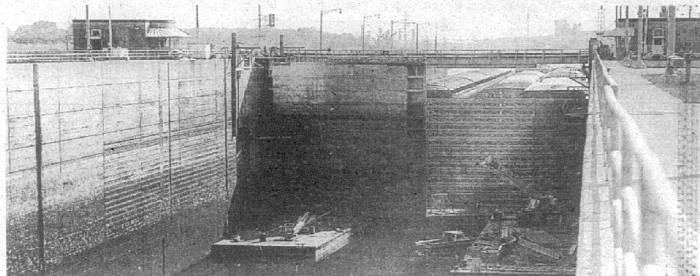
Knowing the work would cause a strain on the companies' earning power, the work was carefully scheduled with the barge industry.

"They did allow companies to work with their customers to move more critical products through the locks before the work was done," Werner said.

The work should be done by this week, if all continued to go well.



This photo, taken in August 1949, shows crews constructing the original Lock #27 in the Chain of Rocks canal. The view is from the main lock chamber, looking north.



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This photo, taken recently, shows that crews drained the main locks, where renovations are in progress on the arms controlling the 210-ton gates.

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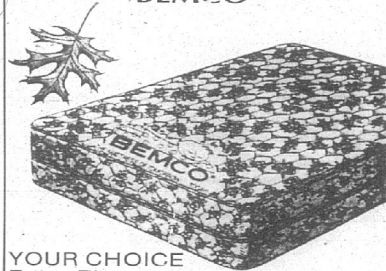
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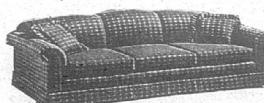
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Skeptics aside, Madison reaping rewards of aggressive moves

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

About 10 years ago, some people could not understand why the city of Madison wanted to annex a racetrack and some damp ground in St. Clair County.

But today, when they talk about the future, city officials start looking south and talk about motor sports.

City officials are looking forward to a great deal of development on the Madison/St. Clair county border in the next few years because of the \$25 million redevelopment of Gateway International Raceway.

"I feel very confident about the future of Madison," Mayor John Hamm said.

In addition to the racetrack, a new golf course is under construction in the area; the Illinois and Missouri departments of transportation have decided that if a new bridge is built across the Mississippi, it will come in just north of the racetrack; developers are starting to look at property in the area; and to the north Gateway Trailnet is turning the Chain of Rocks Bridge into a pedestrian/bicycle trail.

Of all this, Hamm said the racetrack is the most important development and is helping spur the others.

Because of a tax increment financing district, the city does not receive any additional property taxes because of the devel-

"I feel very confident about the future of Madison."

John Hamm
Madison mayor

opment, but sales and entertainment tax revenues make a big difference in property taxes.

"The first thing the racetrack has done for Madison is allowed the city to lower the taxes about 38 cents per \$100 on this year's tax bill," Hamm said.

An increase in the entertainment tax — a tax levied on ticket sales at the race track — an expected increase in the number of seats by about 15,000, and the prospect of even more races in the track's second full year of operation, are expected to have an even bigger impact on the city.

"It's kind of a break-even situation on the first year. When that 60 cents (the second year's entertainment tax amount per ticket) kicks in we're going to start to see more money," Hamm said.

In addition to tax breaks, the development is helping the city fund improvements such as street and sidewalk repair, and the

cutting of overgrown trees.

"There are a lot of repairs that need to be done to these streets," Hamm said. "We're presently developing a long-range plan — which streets we're going to do first, what trees we're going to do first."

Hamm said it would be "very beneficial" to clean up the town.

"We don't have a lot of businesses in town now, but I think with the growth out there people are taking a look," he said.

The city is in the process of developing a second TIF district that will take in the golf course and most of the southern part of the city not in the racetrack TIF.

"I think it's going to be a big asset," Hamm said of the golf course. "We have a lot of golfers in Madison, Granite and Fairmont City."

The city has been busy annexing property in the area. The boundaries for the new TIF are expected by mid-October.

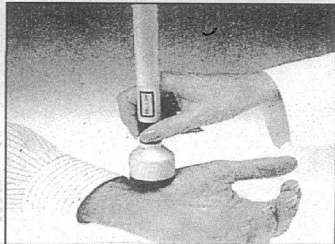
The city is also looking to the north. Last year, it annexed most of Chouteau Island south of Interstate 270.

However, that is locked up in a legal dispute over special legislation passed to allow the annexation.

At the time, city officials said they were annexing the land to take control of the old Chain of Rocks Bridge. Although the bridge was owned by the city, it was actually in unincorporated

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Ferry business launched Venice

Although the highways and the closing of National City Stockyards may have taken much business away from Venice, the city's past played an integral part in Madison County's history.

Two men platted the village of Venice in 1841 because they were interested in the ferry business.

The village's growth was slow due to Mississippi River overflow, and was mainly thought of as swampland.

The village's name came from a history of flooding in the streets — because the roadways were often waterways, people called the town Venice, after the Italian city with real waterways.

Manual-powered boats carried passengers across the river as early as the 1820s, at which

time stage coaches traveled up to the eastern side if the river.

A horse ferry belonging to Matthew Kerr carried passengers and goods to St. Louis.

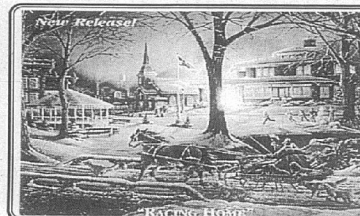
The horses walked on a slope that made the paddle wheels turn and propel the boat.

The ferry was later bought and moved to Ferry Street, and the new owner increased business by hauling stages, horses, wagons and cattle.

The National City Stockyards soon became a major player in Venice. Cattle was brought in for the slaughter and then sent by ferry to packing companies in the big city.

A steamboat landing was later located near the ferry. Railroad service across the river by ferry started with the Chicago and Alton line

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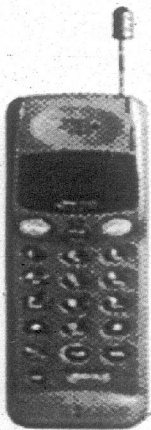


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One-room cabin became city of Collinsville

By Nicole Vaughn
Staff writer

While Collinsville became a village in 1850 and a city 22 years later, its history began very early in the 19th century. The first cabin, in what was to become the original Collinsville, was built in 1810. The one-room log cabin, made without nails, stood on a spot that is now the northwest corner of Church and Orient streets.

The cabin was home for eight years to John and Catharine (Cox) Cook. Cook

came from the East before 1810, riding horseback with a group of settlers heading for St. Louis.

Augustus, Anson and Michael Collins came to the area in 1817. The name of the first post office was changed from Downings Station to Unionville in 1822. The post office was discontinued in 1823.

The Collins brothers had been joined by their father, William, and two more brothers, William B. and Frederick, when the growing community petitioned for the return of its

post office in 1824.

On Dec. 21, 1825, residents got it, but with a twist. Because there was already a Unionville post office in Illinois, the name Collinsville was chosen instead because of the number of Collins' names on the petition.

Collinsville became a village in 1850, and D.D. Collins — who may or may not be related to the original Collins settler — was its first president. The village gave way to a city in 1872.

Schools, churches, the rail-

road and coal mines followed. A brick yard and later a lead plant helped increase the city's work force. Retail clothing and

food stores and bakeries sprang up to supply the growing population. That work force included a

growing number of immigrants — primarily Italian and Lithuanian — who came to call Collinsville home.

Coal mines started Fairview Heights

By Kimberly Haas
Staff writer

From farm fields and coal mines to a leading retail city, Fairview Heights has seen many changes since its humble beginnings.

According to books on Fairview Heights' history, 200 acres of land between what is now Pasadena Drive and Highway 159, bordered on the north by Interstate 64 and on the south by Lincoln Trail, was given to James Gray in 1790 for his service in the U.S. Militia.

In the early and mid-1800s, migrant German farmers began to settle into the region, naming the area "Ridge Prairie." By the mid-19th century, a predominantly German population began to settle in the

region, interested in furthering the booming coal mining industry in the area.

In 1903, the first formal coal mine opening was held, allowing the industry to have a 54-year run in the Fairview Heights area. Seven major coal mining sites were open in the area when the industry hit its peak in the 1920s.

Between 1908 and 1906, Fairbrother Realty Company of East St. Louis began laying out the ground work for Fairview Heights by platting the area of St. Clair Road, North Road, South Road, and Old Lincoln Trail.

In 1924, the East St. Louis Light and Power Company connected Fairview Heights to its electrical lines and with the growing need for fire protection, the Fairview Volunteer

Fire Department was organized in 1937.

Throughout the 1950s and 1960s, the city saw a growth in small restaurants and businesses, along with its population. By 1965, Fairview Heights had its own post office after the St. Clair County Board of Supervisors met and voted to call the area Lincoln Heights.

In July 1965, voters decided to change the city's name to the one it still holds today — Fairview Heights. Four years later, the residents decided to incorporate Fairview Heights as a municipal entity and in September 1969, by a vote of 1612-874, it was agreed Fairview Heights should be incorporated.

On Oct. 2, 1969, the city of Fairview Heights was officially born.

•Madison•

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Madison county and St. Louis. The old Chain of Rocks Bridge is going to have as much impact on the area as the racetrack," Hamm said. "People want those things to happen, and those people need to be applauded."

Hamm said "without the development of the bridge, eventually it would have had

to be torn down.

"It wouldn't have been too long before the Corps of Engineers was liable to float down the river and say 'Hey, you're not using this bridge, you might as well take it down,'" Hamm said. "We don't have the money to do that. I think it was a Godsend that Trainor came along and had an idea for the use of that bridge."

•Venice•

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and ended when the Merchants Bridge was built in 1888. While the ferry business ended, all of the rail traffic helped Venice to prosper, as people and products came stopped or came through the village.

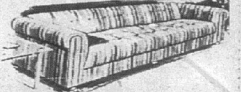
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BUSINESS PROFILE



Cope Auto & Marine Inc. business

Cope Auto & Marine Inc., 1725 W. U.S. 50, O'Fallon, is a full-service marine dealership owned by Ken Cope. A family-owned business, Cope specializes in boat storage, fiberglass repair and custom boat covers. Cope has served the Metro East for over 30 years and offers a full line of marine accessories, including having 200-400 boats on display. Cope has 25 employees, and recently remodeled the showroom, giving the business a "new face lift."

family

Cope lives in O'Fallon with his wife, Sheila, a registered nurse at St. Elizabeth Hospital in Belleville. They have two children, Shane, who is attending Belleville Area College, and Kendra, a senior attending Southern Illinois University at Carbondale. Cope's father, Carl, a war veteran, started the business, but quit after 30 days. A large U.S. flag now flies at the business in Carl's honor. Cope's mother still lives in Trenton.

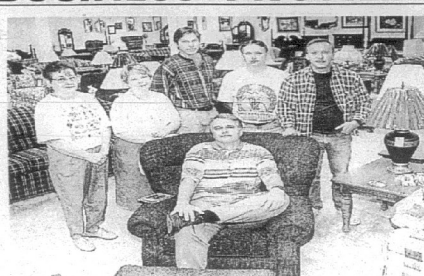
professional background

Cope graduated from McKendree College in 1968 with a business degree in economics. Boats have always been in the Cope family. Cope said he has learned about the business from the "school of hard knocks."

civic involvement

Cope is a member of the Fairview Heights' and O'Fallon Chambers of Commerce.

BUSINESS PROFILE



Mueller Furniture business

Mueller Furniture is a family owned business with Lyn Mueller the current owner. It has been located at 1004 E. Main, Belleville, since established in 1927. Mueller Furniture offers a full line of home furnishings. Selling furniture for every room in your home, including accessories such as lamps, etc. The business hours are: Monday and Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sunday 1-4 p.m.

family

The Muellers have four children, two currently attending college and two still at home. Lyn is involved with coaching basketball and baseball. He also enjoys competing in triathlon competitions.

professional background

Lyn Mueller is a graduate of Belleville West and attended Indiana University. Following graduation Lyn returned to Belleville to work and has been dedicated to the company for the past 29 years.

goals of the future:

Mueller Furniture has just finished a 50 percent increase to their showroom area in order to present more furniture for their customers' needs.

BUSINESS PROFILE

Apartment Community business

Apartment Community is a retirement living community located on the grounds of the nationally renowned Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows in Belleville, established 30 years ago, where the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate open their arms and their hearts to people of all faiths.

services

The Apartment Community offers a continuum of care. 154 independent apartments, decorated to your specifications, include a choice of studio, efficiency, one- or two-bedroom and deluxe one- and two-bedroom high-rise. This facility complements the Dammeri Geriatric Center, which provides 24-hour-a-day skilled nursing care. Often, an individual is not totally independent, but does require some assistance. Assisted Living addresses this gap by allowing The Apartment Community to provide the necessary services, while maintaining the highest level of an individual's independence.

assisted living program

There are 30 assisted living units being built at The Apartment Community. All units will be on one level.

civic involvement

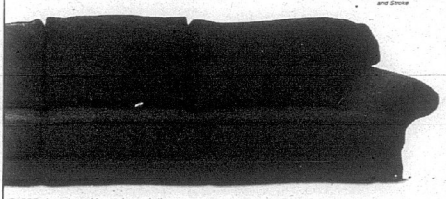
Belleville Area College works with residents to offer programs to their residents. St. Elizabeth's Hospital has one of their home health offices within the community.

comments

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New schools built, planned in Collinsville, Edwardsville

By Alene Hill
Staff Writer

Opening new schools and plans for building new facilities is going on in several school districts this year.

Collinsville and Edwardsville School Districts both opened new schools this year and Triad School District will ask voters to approve a new school bond issue on the Nov. 4 ballot.

Faculty, staff and construction crews worked together the weekend prior to the August opening of the John A. Renfro School in Collinsville. "Everybody working together opened this school for the kids on time," said Renfro Principal Jeanie Nicolussi.

Construction of the new school became necessary when mine subsidence caused structural damage to the old Dorris School. Several classrooms, a new gymnasium, and computer labs were added to the existing Lincoln School. The new facility accommodates 600 students.

The school was named for the late Superintendent, John Renfro, who died last year.

The Edwardsville School District opened the new Edwardsville High School in August. The new high school campus accommodates 2,400 students in the new 312,000-foot structure.

The common cafeteria area seats 600 students per lunch seating, and the new auditorium seats 625.

"It became obvious about eight years ago the district was growing again at a growth rate close to 5 percent," said Edwardsville School

Board Secretary Howard Olfen. Olfen, who was involved in the project from the beginning, said predictions from a study done in 1990 indicated the district's facilities would be "bursting at the seams by 1995."

"And you know what, they were right," he said.

The former Edwardsville High School became a middle school and the old Edwardsville junior high was changed to an elementary school.

"That changed the occupancy rate for the schools as a whole from 120 percent occupancy to about 70 percent," he said. "We have room to breathe."

The Triad School District is also feeling effects of a community growth spurt.

The district's current enrollment is 3,471, a 40 percent increase since 1988.

The proposal asks for a 41 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation. That means a district homeowner would face an \$82 tax increase per year on a \$60,000 home.

If voters approve the bond issue, Troy could have a new high school by August of 1999.

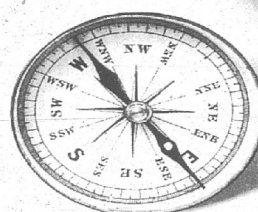
The cost of the new school would be \$21.5 million. Through an intergovernmental agreement, the city of Troy would contribute \$500,000 for the new high school.

"We have the lowest tax rate in Madison County," said District Superintendent William Hyten. "Even with the 41-cent increase, the tax rate should still be lower than 6 of the 11 unit school districts in Madison County."

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Future wave: Newer, better, simpler technology coming fast

By Cheryl A. Moody
Staff writer

Norcom 2000 owner Harry Norton says we are on the ground floor of a revolution, and it's all about technology. Future technology will allow

computer owners to turn on televisions, VCRs and lights with a simple voice command. You will even be able to tell your computer to check your e-mail. "With the sound of your voice, you will be able to make

things happen and make things work," Norton said. Banks and other financial institutions will be setting up electronic services, allowing people to make checking account debits and credits and pay bills from their homes.

"You will be able to connect to a bank to tell them how much to debit and to whom," Norton said. "You will be able to pay your power bill through e-mail."

Norton said electronic banking is commonplace on the east and west coasts and has been for several years. He is working locally to set up electronic banking. "Smart Monitors" will become popular, Norton said.

Smart monitors are essentially like a person's head — with eyes, ears and a mouth. Built-in cameras and recorders will allow a person to be seen and heard.

"The era of the stand-alone PC will be a dinosaur 10 years from now," Norton said. "Laptops (computers) are being modified to handle the same amount of information as the stand-alone PC."

Norton said people will lean toward laptop computers

"People will be carrying laptops with them like a purse or wallet."

Harry Norton

because they are portable and allow people to be in total control at all times.

"People will be carrying laptops with them like a purse or wallet," Norton said. "They will be able to do everything they need to do with a laptop."

Norcom 2000 specializes in high speed corporate remote computing. He consults with companies to determine their technology needs.

For additional information, call 257-3750.

Anderson Hospital expanding facilities

By Nicole Vaughn
Staff writer

Anderson Hospital is growing.

Two major projects — one recently completed, another under way — are among the highest additions in the hospital's 20-year history. A 15-bed transitional care unit opened in July and an expanded emergency department, twice the current size, will open next year.

The \$1.9 million expansion is intended to help the hospital deal with an ever-growing number of emergency cases. Last year, 21,340 patients went through Anderson's emergency room, originally designed to treat 14,000 a year.

"The existing facility has been remodeled and reconfigured over the years, but it has become difficult to efficiently process the current and projected patient volumes," said Senior Vice President Keith Page.

Last year, 21,340 patients went through Anderson's emergency room, originally designed to treat 14,000 a year.

He said the main objectives of the expansion are to increase the number of treatment areas, improve the efficiency of patient processing and adding an "urgent care" system. All of these factors are vital to a department that anticipates up to 25,000 patients annually within the next five years.

There will be more treatment rooms, a larger number of registration areas and a bigger waiting area. The goal is to make sure that patients with life-threatening illnesses receive immediate treatment. The new unit also speeds up the process for those with less serious ailments. During the summer, the hospital completed and opened its new transitional care unit. The unit, which specializes in treatment that prepares patients to go home, opened July 1. It focuses on care that falls between hospitalization and traditional long-term care. The average length of stay ranges from five to 15 days.

In its first 22 days, the 15-bed unit had 23 admissions and nine discharges. In addition to speech and physical therapy, the new wing features decorative pictures and furniture in color coordinated patient rooms.

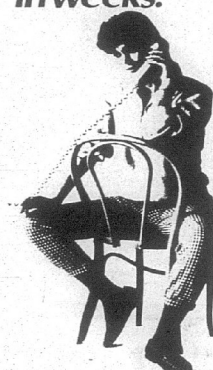
"The whole idea of the unit is to make it as home-like as possible," said Laurie Sinn, the unit's co-director.

There also is a large lounge area where meals are served and planned activities are held. Family members can visit there with patients or wait for their return during treatment.

The unit is managed by RehabCare Group, a St. Louis-based company that operates more than 100 such programs across the country. Through the hospital, the unit has a dietitian, pharmacist, social services, nursing, rehabilitation and heart specialists available. The unit is also beginning to take ventilator patients, the first hospital in Southwestern Illinois to do so.

The project cost included \$200,000 in site renovations.

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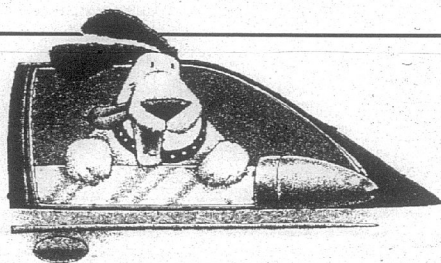


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BUSINESS PROFILE



Oncology Care business

Oncology Care operates a cancer information center in conjunction with the Belleville unit of the American Cancer Society. It is open to the public. Hours of operation are: Monday through Friday 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m. You do not need to be a patient to come and receive the information you will be looking for.

background and services

Oncology Care is a support service that includes nutrient counseling, social services counseling and a variety of cancer support groups including: "I Can Cope," "Make Today Count," and "Man to Man." In addition to services provided at Belleville, there are two satellite locations: Maryville in the Anderson Hospital Professional Building and Professional Office Building in St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. Oncology Care operates a cancer information center in conjunction with the Belleville unit of the American Cancer Society. They provide a variety of cancer resources in relation to cancer detection and treatment. Those include: literature rack, lending library, video lending library and computer link to the National Library of Medicine. The newest resource that will soon be released will be an interactive computer generating cancer risk assessment program available by January 1988.

history

Oncology Care was established in December 1986 at 4000 N. Illinois in Belleville. It is a free-standing comprehensive cancer treatment center. The provide radiation oncology services, medical oncology services, chemo therapy oncology services and x-ray and CT scanning.

civic involvement

Oncology Care will have a booth at the Collinsville Senior Celebration, Oct. 21 at the Gateway Convention Center. A variety of literature will be available.

comments

John S. Aksin is the administrator and CEO and would like to invite you to come by and visit the center.

Sports Clinic keeps athletes up to par

Keeping in shape or keeping up on the job can take its toll on the body. Weekend athletes may suffer from tendinitis of the elbow and shoulders, knee pain or rotator cuff problems. These and other ailments can be aggravated at work through improper lifting techniques or by sitting improperly for long periods.

And once these conditions have been treated by a doctor, they often require physical therapy.

To meet this need, St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City operates the Physical Therapy and Sports Medicine Clinic at 1000 S. Morrison in Collinsville.

"In the past, people have had to go to Belleville, Granite City or Maryville for this service," said physical therapist Carla Buzan. "Most of our patients are from Collinsville or Caseyville."

Buzan said that most cases are orthopedic, including knee surgeries, and back and neck pain. Occasionally, patients have suffered a stroke or head injury.

When patients come to the clinic, Buzan starts them on an exercise program on various pieces of clinic equipment. The goal is to strengthen the injured area.

"We try to emphasize the importance of the patients taking on the responsibility for themselves getting better," Buzan said.

Jerry Urbeck is a typical patient at the clinic. Injured in an accident at work, he comes to the clinic twice a week. Buzan said that Urbeck had a ligament reconstruction of the knee. His treatment began with reducing the swelling and returning motion before focusing on regaining enough strength for Urbeck to return to work.

"We can tell people how to make themselves better, but we can't magically do it for them," Buzan said. "It takes a lot of work on their part."

But workers and weekend athletes are not the only ones to benefit from the therapy programs. Children are often referred to the clinic to help those who may be developmentally delayed.

Assistant therapist Jodi Ennis works with pediatric patients. Many of the juvenile patients suffer from birth defects, cerebral palsy or orthopedic problems. "We help them progress through developmental stages

from crawling to walking," Ennis said. "We work on their balance, posture, sitting and standing." Buzan and Ennis help their patients adjust to the often demanding but necessary exercises to get them to their maximum potential.

"Some people are never going to get back to what was normal," Buzan said. "We try to get them back as close as possible and try to achieve maximum outcome."

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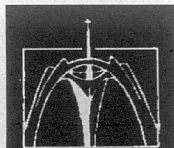
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St. Elizabeth's Hospital spreading its wings

By Mark Hodapp
Staff writer

St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Belleville will be opening a new medical facility in O'Fallon this month. The \$2.5 million, 21,000 square foot complex, built by Holland Hinrichs Construction

of Belleville, is scheduled to open Oct. 13, said Tom Verni, president of marketing and community relations.

St. Elizabeth's will lease portions of the complex, located at 1512 N. Greenmount Road, for diagnostic services, such as laboratory testing, radiology

services, mammography and cardiology services.

There will also be an open magnetic resonance image system. The open MRI is one of three such imaging scanners in the St. Louis metropolitan area, and is the only open scanner in Southern Illinois.

The complex will house sev-

en exam rooms, a physical therapy gym with adjoining treatment rooms, ultrasound, vascular, EKG, and radiology facilities, Verni said.

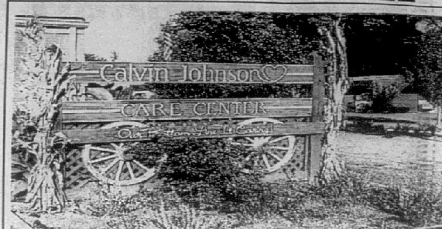
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The UrgiCare will be open every day from noon to 8 p.m. UrgiCare will treat both adults and children.

The facility will house medical specialists such as dermatologists, orthopedic surgeons, cardiologists, podiatrists, and ear-nose-and-throat specialists.

Services presently offered at the St. Elizabeth's Hospital Diagnostic Center at the O'Fallon Medical Center will also be offered at the new facility, effective Oct. 13.

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Belleville has French flavor

By Cheryl A. Moody
Staff writer

Belleville, French for beautiful city, was founded in 1814 and incorporated five years later as a town. Although it is not positively known who first set foot in Belleville, some believe French traders and trappers were the first to pass through the woods and prairie once located here.

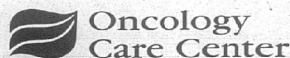
The Belleville area was referred to as Compton Hill until it became the St. Clair County seat in 1814. Prior to 1814, the county seat was located in Cahokia. When the county seat relocated, Compton Hill was called Belleville by George Blair, who donated land where the courthouse was eventually constructed. Blair owned a 200-acre farm where the central part of the city now stands. He also built the first home in Belleville in 1806 and kept it as a home and hotel for several years.

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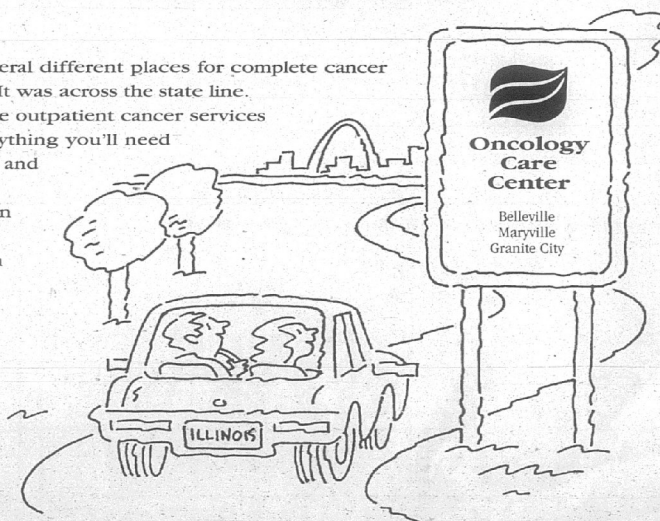


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Shiloh set for population boom



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By Mark Hodapp
Staff writer

The village of Shiloh faces the kinds of challenges and opportunities that most communities would like to have. These challenges and opportunities for the most part revolve around coping with a brisk rate of growth and developments providing services expected by people.

The primary challenge facing Shiloh is managing and controlling growth with regard to expansion of transportation facilities, utilities, schools, parks and emergency services.

Shiloh has been experiencing a period of rapid growth for the past 15 years. The average annual population growth rate from 1990 to 1995 has been 15 percent. A 1996 special census revealed Shiloh's population had reached 4,932.

According to the city's 1997 Comprehensive Plan, Shiloh's population could reach 18,300 by 2016. Shiloh uses this plan as a guiding tool to plan future development projects.

The population projection is based on several assumptions, including that St. Clair County will continue to experience a population shift from west to east. MidAmerica Airport and MetroLink are also expected to bolster population growth.

Population projections suggest that 3,460 new residential units will be built in Shiloh over the next 20 years, the comprehensive plan stated. The plan also noted that Shiloh has extensive open lands adjacent to Interstate 64 and Highway 158 that are highly desirable from a location standpoint for commercial and industrial development.

From a regional perspective, Shiloh is fortunate to have highway accessibility through I-64, Hwy. 158 and Highway 181.

From the regional perspective, however, there are several concerns about roads near and around Shiloh, the compre-

hensive plan stated.

Those include:
• Given the rate of increase in traffic being experienced on I-64 and with the expected development of MidAmerica Airport and the surrounding area, an additional two traffic lanes will be needed on I-64.

• In order for Shiloh to achieve its economic development ambitions, a new north-south principal arterial road is also needed.

The comprehensive plan pointed out that Shiloh has the opportunity for significant commercial growth in a number of areas and types. This type of growth will provide employment opportunities, property taxes sales taxes. The larger commercial market potential is associated with properties with Interstate

From a regional perspective, Shiloh is fortunate to have highway accessibility through Interstate 64, Highway 158 and Highway 161. However, there are several concerns about roads near and around Shiloh.

64 or Illinois 158 frontage," the comprehensive plan stated. Shiloh's Land Use Plan also reveals a major shift in land-use patterns as compared with existing uses. Currently more than 75 percent of the land in Shiloh is undeveloped. Population projections and land-use absorption forecasts

suggest that approximately 50 percent of the new land use development will occur over the next 20 years. The Land Use Plan is intended to give general direction to land development while still affording developers some freedom of choice of development tracts.

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Positive attitude helped runner heal

By Cheryl A. Moody
Staff writer

Former Olympic athlete Craig Virgin will tell you attitude and determination does make a difference.

Virgin has been a runner most of his life, with his first day of official cross country training at Lebanon High School during his freshman year.

"I beat the varsity the very first day out," Virgin said.

After graduating from the University of Illinois in 1977, he competed in the 1978, 1980 and 1984 Olympics. Virgin finished first in the 10,000 meter in 1980, but was prevented from competing in the Moscow Olympics by the United States-led boycott.

Following a serious two-car automobile accident on Jan. 29, Virgin wondered if he would ever walk again, much

"What I did on my own between physical therapy sessions helped speed my recovery."

Craig Virgin

less run.

Virgin was traveling about 70 miles per hour on west-bound Interstate 64 near East St. Louis when he collided with Lauretta Arnold from St. Louis, who was traveling east in the westbound lanes.

"It was like driving into a wall at 100 or 120 miles per hour," Virgin said.

The left tire and wheel ended

up where the pedals were, the windows blew out, and the doors jammed shut. Virgin attributes being alive to the fact that God still has a purpose for him to fulfill and wearing his seatbelt.

After getting out of the car by literally tumbling out of the driver's side window, he was taken to Memorial Hospital where he learned he had two broken ankles, a shattered pinky finger on his right hand, a broken nose, a large gash on his forehead and a severely bruised heart.

He was placed in the cardiac ward because his heart was skipping beats.

"At that point, my heart was my worst risk," Virgin said.

After surgery and spending a week in the hospital, Virgin headed home. He shuffled out of the hospital using a walker.

Two to three weeks later, Dr. Rick Lehman found 21

bone fragments in his left ankle, which were removed. Virgin's first goal was to walk again. He spent two months walking forward and backward.

"I didn't know if I would ever walk normal again, much less jog or run," Virgin commented. "Not being able to get out of bed overnight was a big shock."

His next goal was slowly jogging on the treadmill. Virgin said he used the bars on the treadmill to literally hold him up.

By late March, he started jogging again. He jogged 100 yards, then walked, then jogged another 100 yards.

"I started very humbly to come back. My legs felt like stumps," Virgin said.

He said he was running nine to 10 minute miles and was elated when he ran the first mile without stopping.

Since that point, Virgin keeps pushing himself to gain back his strength and speed. He now runs eight miles without stopping, just two miles shy of the 10 that he used to do.

"What I did on my own between physical therapy sessions helped speed my recovery," Virgin said. "I was willing to endure pain and discomfort to make my body stronger."

Virgin attributes a third of his recovery to his positive attitude.

Virgin's dogs, a 130-pound German shepherd named Thor and a Doberman pinscher named Zeus, run with him.

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From Buffalo Bill Cody to bootleg liquor

By Jason White
Staff writer

The history of East St. Louis has seen annual arrowhead-hunting visits from "Buffalo"

Bill Cody, bootleg liquor runs by Charles Lindbergh and a pitched battle over an engineering project on the Mississippi River.
Capt. James Piggott, a Rev-

olutionary War veteran who fought with George Washington, founded the city in 1792 when he started a ferry service to St. Louis.
East St. Louis eventually

became the "supply depot" for St. Louis, according to Bill Nunes, a retired social studies teacher working on a year-by-year history of the city up to 1900.

"People on this side of the river would grow things, harvest things, mine things and ship them over to St. Louis," Nunes said.

The population of the city, which was called Illinois Town, Jacksonville or Washington, stayed under 5,000 throughout the early 19th Century.

"Just as (the population) would start to take off, a big flood would come along and wipe everything out," Nunes said.

In 1853, the Ohio and Mississippi railroad came to town. "From that point on, the success of East St. Louis as a separate entity is ensured," Nunes said.

A footnote to the city's history is "Bloody Island," which began to form around 1800. By 1815, the island stretched for a mile south to the current site of the Poplar Street Bridge.

The island got its name because St. Louisans used it for dueling, brawling and cock-fights.

When the river began shifting to the east side of the channel, St. Louis, to avoid becoming "landlocked," lobbied for the U.S. Corp of Engineers to build dikes and shift the river back to the west side.

This caused a "mini-war" when officials in Alton, which hoped to become the major city in the region, spurred on an East St. Louis mob to attack St. Louisans.

Eventually, though, the engineering project succeeded, and Alton never became the region's major city.

Another key year was 1873, when a group of East Coast investors built stockyards at 10th and State and in National City—stockyards that eventually became the second biggest in the country next to the Union Stockyards in Chicago, Nunes said.

In 1874, investors from the East built the Eads Bridge and in 1888 the city passed a

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Bill Nunes
historian

\$900,000 bond issue to raise the downtown 10-12 feet.

Those events spurred "The Golden Age" of East St. Louis, when the city, from 1890 to 1920, a period when its population doubled every 10 years.

The city had a reputation as a tough town even in those days — a spy for railroad magnate Jay Gould said the city, in the late 1870's, was "tougher than Dodge City."

By 1900, 150 major manufacturers had located in the city, making it the "Pittsburgh of the West." The boom town drew many immigrants and ethnic groups, including Armenians, Czechs, Germans, Greeks, Irish, Lithuanians and Polish.

Some towns around the city, like Alorton, got their names from industry — Alorton is short for "Aluminum Ore Town."

That industrial concentration led to the rise of unions. In 1917, repeated strikes led owners to advertise in newspapers in the South for workers.

That led to an influx of African-Americans, who were treated as second-class citizens and given menial jobs.

On July 2, the largest race riot in American history occurred when whites, spurred

on by false rumors that blacks were arming themselves, stormed the city's south side. They just started killing, clubbing, beating and lynching every black they could get their hands on," Nunes said.

The riot lasted two days and left 39 blacks and nine whites dead.

That watershed event began the city's decline, Nunes said. "This is what caused people to stop coming (to East St. Louis)," he said.

But the city's economic health continued up until the 1960s, largely because World War II caused manufacturing profits to soar.

It was during this period that Lindbergh delivered alcohol during Prohibition and that the city became the "vice capital" of the area, with open prostitution and gambling run by organized crime and ignored by city officials on the take.

Residents tolerated the corruption because jobs were plentiful and life was good, Nunes said.

"You had great shopping, you had great parks to go to, you had a great school system," he said.

That began to change in the late 1950s, when factories, packing houses and railroads began moving out. Many moved to the South to take advantage of cheap electricity and non-union labor.

"The factories were old and geography wasn't important anymore," Nunes said.

As the city lost population from a high of 82,000 in 1950 to about 38,000 today — the tax base eroded and crime rates soared. The city became, in Nunes's words, "a national disgrace."

Today, the city is struggling to overcome that image, and Nunes says he wants to help. "That's why I keep putting out book after book," he says.

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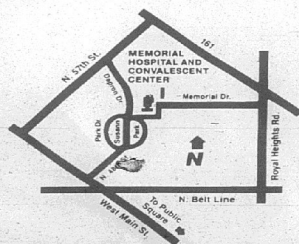
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Student learns sensitivity, gratitude studying abroad

By Marge Wilson
Staff writer

A young Columbia nursing student was a pioneer of sorts this summer, taking first-world knowledge and supplies to the Philippines and receiving valuable experience in return.

"This was personally a tremendous experience for me as my work and training allowed me to do things that nurses

aren't allowed to do in this country," Lisa Garfield. "We all came back more appreciative of what we have (here)." Lisa, the 21-year-old daughter of Columbia School District Board Member John Garfield and his wife, Sharon, is a senior nursing major at Trueman State University in Kirksville, Mo.

From June 6 to July 6 this year, Lisa's nursing professor,

Kit Hadwiger, took Lisa and seven other select students to the Philippines as part of an experimental transcultural nursing program. The professor is Filipino herself.

While in the Philippines, Lisa delivered babies on her own, a procedure not normally open to nurses in the United States, and cared for patients with tuberculosis, typhoid, hepatitis A & B, tetanus, a tropi-

cal fever and parasitic diseases.

In addition, she visited a camp for lepers for a day, made community health visits in the poorest parts of the city at homes without water or sewage systems and did pelvic exams and PAP smears at a reproductive health clinic, another procedure usually reserved for doctors and nurse practitioners in the United States.

Lisa said the group had to be very careful because of all the illness and lack of sanitation in the country. Her mother said before her daughter left on the trip, "her doctor gave her all the shots she would need. Also (the students) were very careful — they drank bottled water and they took a number of boxes of (plastic) gloves over there. The boxes they had left over they gave to the student nurses there."

She said her daughter felt ill only one evening in the Philippines and has noticed no sign of illness since she returned. Lisa felt the program was very valuable, that she could see medical methods in another culture and how the people lived there.

While in the Philippines, Lisa

"Hospitals in the Philippines are outdated and have very little technology."
Lisa Garfield

worked in obstetrics in the government-owned Jose R. Reyes Memorial Hospital in Manila, studied at Central Philippine University in Iloilo City on the island of Panay and worked at privately owned Mission Hospital.

At the hospital she worked for one week each in pediatrics, intensive care and obstetrics. She said she learned to be very appreciative of the health care facilities we have in the United States.

Hospitals in the Philippines are outdated and have very little technology," she said. "They lack sufficient equipment and supplies so they make do with what they have. Beds and cribs are usually rusty and old. It wasn't unusual to see lizards, cockroaches or mice in the delivery rooms, which are supposed to have a sterile environment."

"Death rates are also high, due to relatives of patients not being able to pay for medical

care." Some families "give up everything to pay for an operation," she said.

Lisa's favorite experience was apparently that in obstetrics and pediatrics, her mother said.

"She loves working with the little ones," Sharon said. Lisa's professor was happy with the results of the program.

"Overall the trip was very successful," she said in a telephone interview from her home in Kirksville. "We achieved our goal. It was a once-in-a-lifetime learning experience for the students." She said Lisa "fit right in with the group" of people they worked with in the study abroad program.

Professor Hadwiger said after urging from her students, she plans to conduct the trip again next year. Lisa is scheduled to have graduated by then, receiving her RN and BSN in May, ready to add her Philippine experience to everything else she has learned, to serve patients "somewhere in the St. Louis area," she said.

Before she graduates, however, Lisa will be performing a valuable service near the university, with high school students. In conjunction with the Missouri state health department, Lisa will take part beginning this month in an experimental program to discourage teens from becoming parents before their time. The program is called PSI: Postponing Sexual Involvement.

"I will be visiting schools and serve as a health educator role model to build self-esteem and motivation in middle school and high school girls," she said.

Lisa said she looks on the experience as "another excellent opportunity to further my education in the real world setting that I will be entering after graduation."

Lisa, because of her leadership and public speaking ability, was the only nursing student chosen for the program.

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